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HAS NO IDEA OF QUITTING

McCurdy Will Hang On to Mutual Presidency Until Last Minute.

TRUST COMPANIES THRIVED

Got Prosperous When Life Insurance Organizations Helped Them Out.

New York, Oct. 19.—President Mc- of the Mutual Life Insurance ny made a statement today that d no intention of resigning, that as elected to serve until June 7, that nothing can or will drive him

district attorney announced no n has been taken regarding the J. Plunkitt matter that was d over to him yesterday by the committee that is investi- insurance companies losing one of the most sensational strenuous weeks of insurance in- tion, the committee just before ournment today concluded examina- of Richard A. McCurdy, with the ception of a few details he is to ish next week.

Helped Trust Companies.

McCurdy's testimony today was very of a technical nature, though it of much value to committee in its k. The information furnished by Mc dy disclosed that the trust com- with which the Mutual Life was ected became very prosperous soon they were taken up by Mutual fe.

McCurdy was asked what life insu- he carried and he was unable to at once, but James M. Beck, his nsel, presented a statement show- $200,000 all in the Mutual. Mc- y testified he was also insured in Equitable, Washington and Con- ital Mutual.

fore he left the stand McCurdy d he paid $4,500 for his apartment sevenor building which is owned the Mutual. Robert H. McCurdy xplained some charges for traveling xpenses in 1904 and W. W. Richards, mptroller of the Mutual explained manner in which the Mutual ac- uired some properties by foreclosure.

DID NOT SUPPORT THE REVOLUTION

Developments in Venezuela's Suit for $11,000,000.

New York, Oct. 19.—Payment of 5,000 through American asphalt mpanies to support General Matos' olution in Venezuela was testified today by General Avery D. Andrews, president of the National Asphalt mpany. Andrews' statement was de in Venezuela's suit against the mpany for $11,000,000 damages be- se of the company's participation the Matos revolution.

Andrews said this money was really ntended, that it was paid to protect company's property and not to the voluntary support of the revolution.

PITTSBURG BANK FAILS

State Treasury Department Has Entered Judgment.

SUIT FOR MILLIONS.

Pittsburg, Oct. 19.—The commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in behalf of the state treasury department, has entered judgment in the common pleas court for $2,500,000 on four bonds aggregating that amount against the Enterprise National bank and sureties on the bonds.

Concerning the failure of the Enterprise bank, President Smith of the clearing house association, said it would not affect other banks, as no other banks had deposits there.

TO BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION

American Tug Seized by Canadians Will Go to Highest Bidder.

Toronto, Ont., Oct. 19.—The American tug, Bertha L. Cockall, which was seized in Lake Erie by the Canadian cruiser Vigilant and condemned as a lawful prize by the Ontario courts, has been billed for sale by auction by the Dominion government.

BRITON'S IN CUBAN SENATE

Have Long Interview With President Palma About Treaty.

Havana, Oct. 19.—The British charge had a lengthy interview with President Palma today regarding the Anglo-Cuban commercial treaty, which is now awaiting ratification by the senate. Business men in Cuba continue to be apprehensive that the present senate will ratify the treaty soon after the December election. They assert that diplomatic representatives of the European countries will bring their influence to bear for ratification with the object of minimizing the preponderating influence of the United States in Cuba.

STORED AWAY IN A VALISE

Eighty Thousand Dollars Belonging to Adams Express Co. Is Found.

WAS STOLEN AT PITTSBURG

Brother-in-Law Was the Unknowing Custodian of Cunliffe's Theft.

Bristol, Conn., Oct. 19.—Nearly $80,000 of the money that was stolen by George Edward Cunliffe, October 9, from the Adams Express company, Pittsburg, was recovered tonight at the home of Joseph W. Boardman, Cunliffe's brother in law. For a week the fortune had laid in an old suit case unknown to Boardman, who was holding the valise, expecting its owner would call for it any day. The exact sum found was $79,952 55.

As the result of a statement made by Cunliffe in Bridgeport that he had sent $85,000 of the plunder to his brother in law, Boardman, at Bristol, a representative of the Associated Press called at the Boardman house tonight and asked Boardman if that was so. Boardman, who is agent here for the express company of Hartford, said he had received no money, but that on October 12 a dress suit case came to his house from Bridgeport, and as there was no name on it, he had not opened it. His wife signed for the case and Boardman packed it in a closet, thinking it was sent to him as agent of an express company to be called for later. Boardman told the Associated Press representative that if he wished he would send for the police and they could break open the case. Chief Meims and Captain Belden were then sent for and in their presence the case was torn open. A huge bundle of money in the shape of bills tumbled out on the floor, and also some clothing. As the money was being counted, Superintendent Curtis of the Adams Express company's New England agency, and Detective Minster drove up to the house and were shown in. Curtis then counted the money and found the total as stated.

No one was more surprised at the display of money than Boardman himself.

Curtis packed the money in a valise and took the train for Hartford. Boardman says he has received no word from Cunliffe during eighteen months and that if the fugitive had come this way he would have informed the police. Cunliffe's wife is Boardman's sister and he says he has letters from her since Cunliffe disappeared asking that he do all he could to find the missing man.

AUSTRALIA IS FOR IRELAND.

Legislature Asks the King to Grant Home Rule.

Melbourne, Victoria, Oct. 19.—The Federal house of representatives today adopted by 33 to 21, a motion to petition King Edward to grant home rule in Ireland.

The senate 16 to 11 adopted a motion to the effect that home rule should be granted to Ireland.

RUSHING PREPARATORY WORK.

Canal Commission Is Engaged Now In Getting Ready.

Washington, Oct. 19.—Secretary Taft today devoted considerable attention to the Panama canal matter. He spent a long time with General Davis, chairman of the board of consulting engineers and had a conference with Chairman Shonts.

The secretary was informed that preparatory work was being pushed now, rather than actual work on the canal. No information was given the secretary regarding the position of the consulting board as to the type of canal that will be favored in its report.

DECIDE ON ONE LARGE MONUMENT

To Commemorate Service of National Forces At Gettysburg.

Washington, Oct. 19.—Lieutenant General Chaffee and Major General Bates of the general staff, returned today from Gettysburg, Pa., where they joined other survivors of the battle of Gettysburg and in spected models of monuments designed to mark positions of different organizations of the regular army which took part in that decisive engagement.

Congress appropriated $65,000 for the purpose, to be expended under the direction of the National Gettysburg Park commission. Advice of participants in the battle was sought and as a result sentiment was developed in favor of the election of a large single monument in memory of the regular army in preference to a large number of small ones to mark the positions of each individual organization.

DEATH SENTENCE FOR AMERICAN CITIZEN.

Prisoner in Turkey Was Once Saved By Leishman.

Constantinople, Oct. 19.—Ghirkis Vartanian, who claims to be a naturalized American citizen, was today again sentenced to death by criminal court at Stambul for the murder of a prominent Armenian merchant August 26.

Alfarian, another Armenian, who also claimed American citizenship and who is charged with participating in a plot to assassinate the sultan July 21, was sentenced to fifteen years' imprisonment.

Vartanian and Alfarian were sentenced to death for crimes charged against them, but owing to intervention of American Minister Leishman the sentences were quashed and new trials ordered.

All Impediments Disappear.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 19.—According to advices from Manchuria, Linevitch, on receipt of notification of ratification of the peace treaty ordered the destruction of all barricades, entrenchments and other impediments of communication with neutral zone.

King Gets the Count.

Madrid, Oct. 19.—Count Cassini, the New Russina ambassador to Spain (formerly ambassador of Russia at Washington) was received today by King Alfonso.

C. J. DEVLIN'S LIABILITIES

May Prove to Be Far Beyond the Amount First Made Public.

BONDS CUT A FIGURE.

Topeka, Kan., Oct. 19.—The report of receivers filed today in the United States district court here showed assets of the various properties of C. J. Devlin, who failed last July, to be $4,956,948, and direct liabilities $4,952,208. There is listed $1,039,379 contingent liabilities. Should it be necessary to pay these, liabilities will exceed assets by $674,639.

The condition of the Mount Carmel Coal company, controlling Illinois mines, was a particular surprise. This was supposed to be Devlin's pet property.

The report shows the assets of this company to be $331,516, liabilities $1,500,000. Receivers say: "No account has been taken in the above report of claim made by the receiver of the Spring Valley, Ill., Nation bank, that to that trust belongs the purchase of $167,000 bonds of Toluon, Marquette & Northern Railroad company and $5,000 bonds of the Marquette, Spring Valley & Northwestern Railroad company."

CHARLES BISHOP AMONG MISSING

Popular Three-I League Twirler's Whereabouts Are Unknown.

FAMILY IS WORRIED.

Was Last Heard of In Chicago Three Weeks Ago.

Where is Charles Bishop, the former Bloomington pitcher, last season with Dubuque and retained by that club for next season? Three weeks ago last Sunday he pitched a game of ball for an amateur team in Chicago and his whereabouts have been a mystery since. His wife and two little children are at their home in Atwood and are considerably worried, as are his father and mother, who live at the same place.

Some are of the opinion that Bishop is enjoying a spree, while his wife and parents have a faint suspicion that something more serious has happened to the ball player. If he does not show up soon they will make an effort to locate him.

During the early part of last season Bishop played in the Cotton States league, until that organization was driven out by the yellow fever scourge. Bishop then came north and signed with Dubuque. At the end of the season he signed with the same club for next year, and started out to pick up a little extra money playing independent ball. Three weeks ago last Sunday after pitching a winning game for one of the Chicago amateur clubs he left the diamond and his relatives have not heard from him since.

His father stated yesterday that they feared something serious had happened to the boy and they are considerably worried over him. They will wait a few days longer before starting a search, as it is barely possible that he is having a good time with some of the boys and has been unable to tear himself away.

UNCLE SAM IN PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

I Welcome Condition To Japanese, Says Takahira.

Washington, Oct. 19.—Declaring that Japan welcomes the presence of the United States in the Philippines, Japanese minister tonight gave a statement to the Post replying to its inquiry, in which he says that Japan feels "great repose about the Philippines because they are occupied by United States with firm hold of its authority over the archipelago, not to speak of the many object lessons being given there by the new owner by introducing modern improvements in various ways."

FORMER BELIGERENTS ARE THANKFUL

Express Appreciation To President Roosevelt for Ending the War.

Washington, Oct. 19.—Formal but none the less hearty expressions of thanks from Russian and Japanese emperors to President Roosevelt, for his services in the cause of peace in the far east, were made public by Secretary Root tonight.

In addition to the formal expression of thanks a letter from Japanese Minister Takahira requests that American diplomatic and consular representatives be permitted to continue the care of Japan's interests in Russia until Japanese diplomatic and consular service in Russia can be re-established.

THE WIDOW OF OLD STONEWALL

Greeted By President Roosevelt On His Arrival at Charlotte, N. C.

TALKED FOR FEW MINUTES

South Burning Up With Enthusiasm Over President's Visit.

Charlotte, N. C., Oct. 19.—The president's train arrived here at 7:10 and during the thirty minutes of his stay he had from 25,000 people a reception of the most enthusiastic character. Through a brilliantly lighted street he was conveyed in a motor car to Vance park, where he spoke fifteen minutes.

He greated the wildest enthusiasm by referring to the Mecklenburg declaration of independence, to Mrs. T. J. Jackson, the widow of Gen. Stonewall Jackson, and Lieut. William E. Shipp the monument of whom he passed en route to the park.

Jackson's Widow.

A feature of his visit was his meeting with the widow of the great confederate leader. Mrs. Jackson lives near the station and when the train pulled in she was present at the head of the committee of ladies appointed by Mayor McNinch to receive Mrs. Roosevelt. When the president was introduced he took her hand and talking for fully five minutes and then escorted her to Mrs. Roosevelt and introduced her.

Entertains Mrs. Roosevelt.

While the president was speaking in the park, Mrs. Jackson entertained Mrs. Roosevelt at her home and a hundred women helped to entertain her. After Mrs. Roosevelt had returned to the car she sent a handsome boquet of American beauty roses and a note to Mrs. Jackson.

AN OVATION ALL THE WAY.

Southern Cities Vie With Each Other In Welcoming the President.

Charlotte, N. C., Oct. 19.—The ovation which President Roosevelt received during his journey through a portion of Virginia, continued today as he traveled through North Carolina. Beginning with his arrival at Raleigh at 9 o'clock this morning he was greted by cheering crowds at Durham, Greenshoro, High Point, Lexington, Salisbury, Charlotte. The demonstration in this city being a fitting farewell of the citizens of the old Tar Heel state.

The feature of the day was the president's visit to the fair at Releigh. Here he delivered an address which dealt with important questions of railroad ownership and organizations of capital and labor. His speech was given close attention, and he frequently was interrupted by hearty applause. He was accompanied to the fair grounds by Mrs. Roosevelt, and she, too, was the recipient of much attention.

A Fine Distinction.

At Durham, where a stop of about ten minutes was made, the president devoted his remarks to students of Trinity college. He advised them that their having gone through college does not so much confer a special privilege as it imposes a special obligation on them. He said that the state had a right to expect a special quality of leadership from college men because of the advantages afforded by their college training.

A short stop was made at Lexington, the county seat of Davidson county, the only one in the state that gave Roosevelt a majority in the last national election.

At Mother's Home.

Tomorrow morning the president will visit Roswell, Georgia, the home of his mother. From there he will go to Atlanta, where most of the day will be spent. Mrs. Roosevelt will leave him there and return to Washington.

Welcome to Greensboro.

Greensboro, N. C., Oct. 19.—Cheers of welcome from the throats of thousands of men, women and children greeted President Roosevelt as he stepped to the observation platform of his car when the special train bearing him and his party stopped at the Southern railway passenger station in Greensboro this afternoon.

The president made a brief address, making an especially happy reference to the Confederate soldiers and the children.

As the train pulled out cheers were again given by the great crowd.

School Children There.

Salisbury, N. C., Oct. 19.—President Roosevelt's brief stop here was signalized by a most cordial reception. Ten thousand persons greeted him. In the party was 1,500 school children bearing small American flags.

Nearing Rosewell.

Mount Zion, N. C., Oct. 19.—President Roosevelt's special train passed through here at 10:29 this evening. Rosewell, Ga., the next stop, will be reached at 7 o'clock Friday morning.

Thousands at Raleigh.

Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 19.—President Roosevelt and party arrived in this city at 8:30 and were greeted by Lieutenant Governor Winston and Mayor Johnson with a military escort and a citizens' committee. The party proceeded at once to the state fair grounds.

Thousands of people greeted the president at the station with volleys of cheers. These were repeated again and again as he passed along the streets in a carriage, bowing to right and left, and waving his hands in greeting to little children.

On the way to the fair grounds the president stopped at the senate chamber, where he presented on behalf of the North Carolina Literary society a handsome gold loving cup to John Charles McNeill of Charlotte as a reward for having produced the best piece of literature in the state during the year.

The president was introduced by Lieut.-Gov. Winston, who spoke of the pleasure felt by North Carolina in having the president as its guest and in the name of all the people welcomed him.

At the conclusion of his speech, which was enthusiastically applauded, the president took luncheon in a special banquet hall on the fair grounds. He was afterward escorted to the depot by a military and civil parade and left at 1:30 on his way south.

There were nearly 40,000 people at the fair grounds.

EYES FILLED WITH TEARS

Pathetic Incident In the Opening of Suits Against Iroquois.

LONG WAS EXCUSED.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—A pathetic incident marked the beginning today before Judge Landis in the United States circuit court, of the trial of the first damage suit resulting from the Iroquois theatre fire of December, 1903. The first prospective juror called, James C. Long, a patriarch from Geneva, Ill., was asked if he knew any of those killed in the fire. He slowly replied that he did and he was asked for their names. The head of the aged man bowed low, and tears filled his eyes. He tried to answer but could not. The attorneys hastily explained that Long had lost three daughters in the fire.

The court ordered that he be excused from further examination. Long afterward said that his daughters, aged fourteen, eleven and nine, had attended the theater the day of the fire and that their dead bodies were among those taken out of the building.

AFTER THE PRIVATE CAR COMPANIES

Testimony Shows That Railroad Companies Act as Agents.

Washington, Oct. 19.—Several traffic managers of southeastern railroads testified before the Interstate Commerce committee today in the private car inquiry concerning the manner of handling fruit and perishable products in their territory. Most of them said they have entered into arrangements with private car lines by which the latter engaged to take the responsibility for handling of fruit; the railroads acting as agents only in the matter of transportation. It is expected the hearing will be concluded tomorrow.

DENOUNCE PRIMARY LAW

Federation of Labor In a Meeting at Danville Goes On Record Against It.

ELECT OLD OFFICERS.

Danville, Ill., Oct. 19.—The Illinois federation of labor today re-elected all old officers. The committees on resolutions recommended an organization of farmers' unions, denounced the present primary law, open shop and action of the state legislature in defeating labor measures and recommended a restriction of foreign pauper labor.

$75,000 NECKLACE LOST OR STOLEN

New York Jeweler's Store Locked While Vain Search Is Made.

New York, Oct. 19—A necklace worth $75,000 was either lost or stolen today from the establishment of William Scheer, a manufacturing jeweler, at 543 Fifth avenue. Detectives were summoned and all the doors of the establishment were locked, pending a thorough search.

As soon as the loss of the necklace was discovered no one was permitted to leave Mr. Scheer's store and no one was permitted to enter except the detectives.

Mr. Scheer declined to give any information concerning the necklace. It was reported, however, that the loss was first discovered this morning. The entire establishment was searched without result and the police were called in.

PARIS PAPERS MAKE COMMENT

Discuss At Length Roosevelt Speeches In the South.

Paris, Oct. 19.—The newspapers lengthily discuss President Roosevelt's speeches in the south, dwelling particularly on his statement that the United States has special interest in preserving order in the West Indies and on the Caribbean coast. The semi-official Temps in a leading article strongly approves the president's utterance. The Liberte asserts this is another step in the enlargement of the Monroe doctrine.

VETERANS MEET AT SPRINGFIELD

Elect Officers and Hold a Camp Fire At Night.

Springfield, Ill., Oct. 19.—The Union Veterans' union elected Gen. H. L. Dean, Washington, D. C., commander-in-chief; Deputies Dr. E. P. Bartlett, Springfield, Ill.; Gen. C. A. Rose, St. Paul; Alonzo B. Eaton, Washington, D. C.

Women's Veteran Relief Corps elected: Commander, Mrs. Bogia Roe, Washington, D. C.; senior, Mrs. Mart E. Biers, of Chicago.

At a camp fire tonight addresses were made by General Legg, of Washington, D. C., the retiring commander-in-chief, and by United States District Attorney Northcott.

NEARLY HALF A CENTURY

Has Elapsed Since J. W. and C. H. Vandaveer, Brothers, Meet.

ARE NOW TOGETHER.

Parted as Striplings to Reunite as Aged Men.

Forty-three years ago this fall J. W. Vandaveer left the state of Oregon to return to his Illinois home. Yesterday he arrived in Decatur and is now visiting at the home of his brother, C. H. Vandaveer, 779 West Decatur street, whom he had not seen for forty-five years and six months.

In the spring of 1860 J. W. Vandaveer left his home in Wayne county, Illinois, and started west in search of Pike's Peak, which at that time was alive with rumors of gold hidden in its bowels. With a party of four he arrived there in due time and went to work at once with pick and shovel. The four managed to get out about $22,000 worth of ore, but, as was customary with all gold hunters at that time, they could not hold on to it.

Mr. Vandaveer then left the party and continued toward the west, with Salmon River, Oregono, as his destination. It was his intention to dig for gold again in the mountainous regions of that state, but he had gotten but a short distance into the state when he and a party he had joined were driven back by the Indians. Mr. Vandaveer turned back, intending to return to Illinois and remain here. As stated, it was in the fall of 1862 when he left Oregon. After many hardships incident to trips of that kind in those days, he arrived at Elks Point, S. D., where he enlisted with the Union forces against the South.

After the war, instead of coming on to his Illinois home, he decided to return to Elk Point, and there he has remained since. He took up farming as his pursuit in life, and by dint of hard and honest toil he has accumulated sufficient of this world's goods to carry him through the remainder of his days in quiet and ease. He rents his farm out and is living a retired life at Elk's Point.

Just how it happens that these two brothers have not seen each other during these forty-five years and six months is unexplained. There have perhaps been many times that they have contemplated paying a visit to each other, but just as often something came up that caused them to put it off, and thus it went on year after year.

When they parted, both were young boys, without so much as even the semblance of a hair on their upper lip. Today, their first meeting since, both are gray haired with flowing gray beards, looking almost enough alike to be twin brothers. J. W. Vandaveer is 71 years of age and C. H. Vandaveer is 68. Their meeting was indeed cordial.

But there is yet a little more to this story. Down at Flora, Ill., there is still another gray haired brother, T. P. Vandaveer, who is 84 years of age. Like the Decatur brother, J. W. Vandaveer has not seen him since he left the farm home 45 years ago. It has been about ten years since the Flora and Decatur brothers have seen each other. The two brothers, C. H. and J. W., will go to Flora for a few days' visit with him. These three are the only children left out of a family of ten. That their visit together will be a pleasant one can well be imagined.

DEATH OF MRS. WORNICK

End Came Thursday Afternoon After Months of Sickness.

AN ESTIMABLE WOMAN

Mrs. Mary Lynch Wornick, wife of Thomas T. Wornick, died at the family residence eight miles southwest of the city at 9:30 o'clock Thursday, after an illness of eleven weeks caused by stomach trouble. She was born October 29, 1855, and was 49 years, 11 months and 20 days old.

Mrs. Wornick was the daughter of Abe Lynch, who, with her husband and two sons, Edgar and Ode, and one daughter, Mrs. Charles Muirhead of Blue Mound township, survive her. Three brothers, Lude, Ade and Frank Lynch, also survive her.

Mrs. Wornick was a most estimable woman and was held in the highest respect by a host of friends in the community in which she lived. She was always ready and willing to go and help in cases of sickness throughout the neighborhood. She was a member of Blue Mound Chapel, where the funeral services will be held at 11 o'clock Saturday. The services will be conducted by Rev. W. L. Bankson of Blue Mound. Interment will be at Brown cemetery.

Thomas Nicholson.

Thomas Nicholson, colored died Thursday morning at 5 o'clock at his home, 1042 South Colfax street, aged 64 years. The remains were taken to the county poor farm for burial Thursday afternoon.

More About Peace.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 19.—An imperial manifesto was issued today proclaiming the ratification of peace between Russia and Japan.

PYTHIAN HOME COMMITTEE

Met In Decatur and Organized After Grand Lodge Adjourned.

PLAN IS MAPPED OUT

Indigent Members Will Be Cared For at Early Day.

The thing of greatest interest to the people of Decatur in connection with the meeting of the grand lodge of Knights of Pythias happened after the grand lodge work had been completed.

At the Decatur hotel last night the committee on the location of the home met and outlined their plan. There has been a mistaken idea about this home. Many have thought that the grand lodge in session could locate the institution. As a matter of fact the work is just begun. The work of the grand lodge just finished consisted in approving a report of a committee appointed a year ago to determine whether the grand lodge wanted such a home. The report of this committee was approved and the grand lodge, having determined in favor of the home, the actual preliminary work as affecting different citizens seeking its location begins. With the approval of the committee report mentioned it became necessary for the current grand lodge to appoint another committee to take active charge of the work.

The personel of this committee named by the retiring grand chancellor, Mr. Whiting, follows:

Charles L. Frey, DeMolay, No. 13, Chicago.

Daniel E. Keen, Wabash, No. 227, Mt. Carmel.

Ireneus T. Crisler, Mayflower, No. 468 Chicago.

Edwin R. Wright, No. 64, Taylorville.

Joseph M. Omo, Timolean, No. 561, Chicago.

Charles E. Chamberlain, Premier, No. 575, Lebanon.

S. L. Von Fossen, Beardstown Lodge 207.

To these were added the newly elected officers of the grand lodge, as follows:

Grand Chancellor Commander—Frank C. Smith of East St. Louis.

Grand Vice Chancellor—L. D. Gass of Danville.

Grand Prelate—L. C. Hay of Bloomington.

Grand Keeper of Records and Seals—Henry B. Caldwell of Chicago.

Grand Master of Exchequer—Millard F. Dunlap of Jacksonville.

Grand Master-at-Arms—Eugene E. Bone of Springfield.

Grand Inner Guard—Judge J. B. Vaughn of Carlinville.

The Organization.

The above committee met at the Decatur Hotel last night and organized by the election of these officers:

Chairman—F. C. Smith, grand chancellor.

Vice Chairman—L. D. Gass, of Danville.

Secretary—E. R. Wright, of Taylorville.

Treasurer—M. F. Dunlap, of Jacksonville.

An Immediate Home.

The most important action of the committee was the determination to immediately ascertain the number of orphans, needy Pythians and widows of Pythians eligible to enter the home. As soon as the statistics have been gathered and the committee can act intelligently a temporary home will be provided for them. The location of the temporary home has no bearing on the action of the committee in locating the permanent home.

Regarding the Permanent Home.

The committee will notify the different cities seeking the location of the home of their plans. All proposals for the location of the home must be in by the first of January. These bids will be taken under advisement and at the next session of the grand lodge a recommendation will be made by the committee in favor of what appears to be the most desirable place. The one exaction required is that the city seeking the home must admit the children to the public schools. The questions that will determine the location will be school facilities, sanitary conditions, accessibility by railroads and the inducement offered. The cities bidding for the home must be prepared to entertain the committee when it desires to inspect proposed sites. The first building to be erected will cost not less than $35,000.

Some of the Applicants.

Among the applicants for the home are Decatur, Bloomington, Galesburg, Mattoon and Cobden. The committee is notified already that there will be numerous others. About the middle of November the entire committee will pay a visit to the home in Ohio which is regarded as a model of such institutions.

WINTER HITS THE WEST.

Snowfall of Two Inches Covers Nebraska and South Dakota.

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 19.—Two inches of snow fell over Northern Nebraska and South Dakota last night and today. The temperature is dropping fast.

THE WEATHER.

Washington, Oct. 19.—Illinois. Fair, colder Friday; brisk to high northwest winds; Saturday, fair.

THE LOCAL WEATHER.

The local weather conditions for the twenty-four hours ending at 7 p. m. Thursday, Oct. 19, as reported by Prof. Coonradt, government observer, follows:

7 a. m.	56
Noon	67
7 p. m.	57
Highest	69
Lowest	55
Precipitation	.65

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GRAND LODGE IS FOR HOME

The Pythians Adopt Favorable Report Made by the Committee.

NAME THE OFFICERS.

Brown and Edens the Supreme Representatives.

of officers and the discus ding the Pythian home were nteresting matters that came h grand lodge meeting of the Wednesday There were con th of the officers in the elec made it interesting ided to have the Pythian it the matter of location s left ommittee It will not be post decided until the next grand

Committee Reports

ng the forenoon the report of the home committe was mcl stigation has been on foot for rpose of ascertaining what nee was for a home It was found re were the following number ons in the state who were de t or partially dependent upon er
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in widows 11

Pythian Home

was decided that there should be e and the grand chancellor com appointed a committee to take matter in hand This committee will tigate all the propositions pre ted by the different cities seeking home and make a report and rec mendation at the next grand lodge committee appointed is as fol

Charles L Frey DeMolay No 13
E Keen Wabash No 22 Mt
T Crisler Mayflower No Chicago
Edwin P Wright No 64 Taylorville
Joseph M Omo Timoleon No 301
Charles E Chamberlain Premier No Lebanon

Was No Strife

There was some local lobby talk that re would be trouble about the committee Some of the supporters of the ly elected grand chancellor on ler thought he ought to have the pointment of the committee in to Jmes G Whiting who was presid when the committee was appointed of the officer of the lodge said would be strife on that point home is to cost about $45 000 committee is to look into details and exactly how much it will cost

Receive Visitors

The grand lodge officially received Grand Chancellor George W Pow Indiana who was here as a per representative of Grand Chancel Commander Dunton of Indiana was unable to be present Harry the grand keeper of records and of Indiana accompanied Mr Pow They were both extended the nd lodge greeting

Gave Help

At the grand lodge at Peoria the re committee asked for an appropria of $1 000 to be used in helping in is in need The committee re that during the year $850 had xpended in this way

Chicago Invites

An invitation was received from the mercial club of Chicago inviting nd lodge to meet in that city It was referred to the finance ttee and the same bods was in to report on the relative cost lding the gathering in Chicago pared to Springfield The mat s made a special order of business this morning at 9 o clock

The Officers

lection of officers was the first t the afternoon session It is follows
Chancellor Commander—Frank n of East St Louis
Vice Chancellor—L D Gass of
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Keeper of Records and Seals—P Caldwell of Chicago

Grand Master of Exchequer—Millard lap of Jacksonville
Master at Arms—Eugene E f Springfield
Inner Guard—Judge J B con of Carlinville
Trustee—Dr W A Alexan rlinville
Supreme Representatives — Judge Brown of Vandalia and Wil Edens of Chicago

An Old Timer

Harry P Caldwell the grand keeper rds and seals was elected to ffice for the twenty-third time unanimously chosen and was lled and was called upon for a and entertained the lodge for a few minutes

Three Contests

There were contests for only three of the offices—grand oute guard trustee and supreme represent John J Reeves of Jackson ran against Judge Vaughn for guard It was a close race and election was decided on the second ballot

Albert Loomis of Chicago made a e race with Dr Alexander for trustee The winner only had two s to spare

There were seven candidates for su and Dr Cummins of Rockford, ho has been serving as the other presentative was defeated by Mr Edens

Asked for Money

The Uniform Rank asked for an ap propriation of $1 500 to be used for the of the organization throughout the state The matter was referred to a committee

Instruction Given

The representatives to the supreme lodge were instructed to use their influence to bring about the recognition of the Rathbone Sisters as a part of the order The Sisters are now recognized as an independent auxiliary and they want to be placed under the jurisdiction of the grand lodge

The action at the Peoria grand lodge to work for the enactment lowering the age limit to eighteen years was rescinded The grand lodge does not want the age limit lowered now and the supreme representatives were so instructed

About twenty lodges applied for copies of their charter the originals o which had been destroyed by fire during the past year

Lodge Restored

The committee on warrants and charters made a report regarding the Montifiro lodge No 190 of Chicago The lodge had been under suspension because of an alleged violation of rules and the committee recommended that the lodge be reinstated This was done and the delegate from that lodge was given a seat in the grand lodge and extended all privileges The lodge is now in regular standing and the charter restored

Turned Down

A resolution was introduced to limit the grand lodge to only two days This came at a time when there was a lot of business ahead and it looked like a night session might be necessary to get through so the resolution was quickly tabled

The lodge adjourned at 6 30 p m until this morning The officers will be installed today and there is a good deal of business to be transacted The meeting will come to a close some time during the afternoon

THE COST IS A HEAVY ONE.

Grand Lodge Session Represents Expenditure of $15,000

The cost of holding a Knights of Pythias grand lodge session is not a small item The represent tives to the grand lodge are paid a per diem of $3 and then traveling expenses For the latter they are allowed 4 cents a mile each way There are other expenses in connection with the grand lodge session which with the mileage and per diem bring the total expenses more than $15 000

FAIR PRICE FOR CATTLE

Considering Market the Otta Stock Sold Very Satisfactorily.

TOTAL WAS $4,981.50.

At the Otta farm three and a half miles south of Decatur on Tuesday Henry Otta and brother held a sale of fine cattle Seventy one head of Aberdeen Angus were offered and the bidding among the 200 persons who attended was quite spirited Although cattle prices are down now the prices realized at this sale were quite satisfactory The average price per head was $70 the total for the sale being $4 981 50 The highest price paid was $160 for a cow and calf which were sold to J G Imboden

The auctioneers were Carey M Jones of Davenport Ia George W Sobund of Bethany and George Adams of Moweaqua Charles Schmitz of Springfield was the clerk

Bull Bert Traughber Macon Ill $105
Cow W J Hooper Mt Zion Ill $110
Cow F D Gonty Danville Ill
Cow A P Weakly Findlay Ill $07 50
Cow E Wright Allen Harristown Ill $80
Cow James Brothers Mansfield Ill $52 50
Cow F D Gorty Danville Ill $100
Cow A P Weakly Findlay Ill $100
Bull J H Miller Decatur Ill
Cow F D Gonty Danville Ill $105
Cow F D Gonty Danville Ill $85
Cow James Brothers Mansfield Ill $80
Cow A P Weakly Findlay Ill $70
Cow J T Jones Decatur $87 50
Cow A P Weakly Findlay Ill $115
Cow Carl H nold Brownstown Ill $85
Bull Otto Bauer Decatur $45
Bull F E Wilson Macon Ill $42 50
Cow James Brothers Mansfield Ill $47 50
Cow Kearney Brothers Lovington Ill $80
Cow A P Weakly Findlay $50
Cow Carl Hunold Brownstown Ill $75
Cow W J Hooper Mt Zion Ill $47
Cow T L Rothwell Mt Pulaski Ill $87 50
Cow Carl H nold Brownstown Ill $87 50
Cow John Moody Albion Ill $67 50
Cow T L Rothwell Mt Pulaski Ill $75
Cow A P Weakly Findlay Ill $70
Bull A T McKinney, Ospur Ill $55
Cow John Moody Albion Ill $70
Cow James Brothers Mansfield Ill $2 50
Cow John Moody Albion Ill $70
Cow John Macrafic Blue Mound Ill $60
Bull J T Jones Decatur $90
Cow John Moody Albion Ill $67 50
Cow A P Weakly Findlay Ill $50
Cow and calf John Macrafic Blue Mound Ill $ 15
Cow James Brothers Mansfield Ill $72 50
Cow Carl Hunold Brownstown Ill $
Cow W J Hooper Mt Zion, Ill $47
Cow and calf John Moody Albion Ill $8
Cow James Brothers Mansfield Ill $17 50
Bull E Wright Allen Harristown Ill $62 50
Cow and calf W J Hooper Mt Zion Ill $110
Cow John Moody Albion Ill $67 50
Cow James Brothers Mansfield Ill $ 0
Cow W J Hooper Mt Zion Ill $47
Cow John Moody Albion Ill $47 50
Cow Kearney Brothers Lovington Ill $50
Cow C H McDonald Ramsey Ill $75
Cow and calf John Moody Albion Ill $77 50
Cow James Brothers Mansfield Ill $ 0
Cow John Moody Albion Ill $62 50
Cow W J Hooper Mt Zion Ill $47
Bull F E Wilson Macon Ill $55
Cow and calf J G Imboden Decatur $160
Cow J T Jones Decatur $60
Cow A P Weakly Findlay, Ill $50
Bull C H McDonald Ramsey, Ill, $40
Bull T L Rothwell, Mt. Pulaski, Ill, $77 50.
Cow John Moody Albion Ill $60
Cow John Moody Albion Ill $67 50
Bull F E Wilson Macon Ill $62 50
Cow Kearney Brothers, Lovington, Ill $67 50
Cow W. J Hooper, Mt Zion Ill, $47
Cow and calf John Macrafic, Brownstown Ill $80
Cow Ed Wade Clinton Ill $77 50
Cow, Kearney Brothers Lovington Ill $35
Cow, James Brothers Mansfield Ill $35
Cow Ed Wade Clinton Ill $77 50
Bull, E B Bunker Hill, Ill $60

COUNTY COURT

Walter Kincaid was arraigned in the county court yesterday and pleaded guilty to disturbing the peace He was fined $10 on each of two counts and costs The state s attorney nollied the third count

BEN DAVIS IS IN DEMAND

Despised Apple of a Few Weeks Ago About All That's Left.

YORK STOCK SCARCE.

Good apples have become so scarce that the Ben Davis variety so despised a few weeks ago that it was not even considered is now quoted at $ 50 to $2 75 a barrel if the fruit is choice

Wednesday morning a local dealer received a telegram from a New York dealer saying Sorry cant fill your order Oversold Monday the Decatur dealer received from the New York man quotations on apples Tuesday evening the Decatur man sent a telegram ordering a carload and received a reply Oversold Apples are selling in interior New York for $ 50 a barrel of three bushels The freight on a car load of two hundred barrels is almost $100 so that by the time the consignment reaches this city the dealer here has fruit that represents a cost of at least $4 a barrel and if he does not head it off the shipper will use the car and the value of that car will then be something near $850 By the time that the wholesaler gets a profit out of his apples and the retailer has added a bit of a margin the consumer will pay a handsome price for all of the fruit that he gets

Grape Season.

The season for New York Concords is drawing to a close Wednesday they were selling at 5 cents for a basket supposed to contain eight pounds

Illinois sweet potatoes are wholesaling at $2 50 a barrel and there is a fair demand for them

Potatoes for immediate consumption the er for winter keeping have not yet arrived are selling wholesale at 65 cents a bushel

Red Globe onions are wholesaling at 75 cents a bushel

Peaches

The peaches on the market are not the best ever but they are fair and baskets holding one fifth of a bushel are wholesaling at $ 25 to $2 75 according to quality

FOUND BESIDE TRACKS

Mr. Wells, Wealthy Citizen of Vandalia, Meets Shocking Death.

MANNER IS UNKNOWN.

Near Vandalia early Wednesday morning the body of an old man named Wells was found beside the Illinois Central track Mr Wells was a man upwards of 60 years of age He was a wealthy landowner and the supposition is that he was struck by a train while walking down the track on the way to one of his farms

He was well known in and about Vandalia Always he carried a stool and when he grew weary would sit down to rest He had his stool with him when he was killed

His son is a prominent man in Vandalia being cashier in one of the banks there

MARRIED.

Elliot-Reid.

Walter Elliot and Miss Cora Frances Reid were united in marriage Tuesday evening by Rev J W Burnham at his residence 718 West Wood street Mr and Mrs A L Larch were the attendants The bride wore a beautiful gown of white silk with a hat to match Mrs Larch was attired in crepe de chin

The groom is a Wabash brakeman He is the only son of Mrs Walter Elliot The bride is the daughter of Mr and Mrs Daniel Reid of North Clayton

The bridal party repaired to Greider s after the ceremony where supper was served They will make their home at 1048 East Eldorado street

BARR SAYS THE COMPANY PAID.

Helped Matos in His Revolution Against Venezuela

Washington Oct 18—Anzi L Barber one time president of the National Asphalt company testified today in the case of Venezuela against the New York and Bermudez Asphalt company that to the best of his knowledge and belief the company did contribute materially to the revolution organized in 1901 by General Matos against the Venezuelan government


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COAL COMPANY SETTLE CASES

Litigation As Result of the Disaster Is Brought to An End.

A TOTAL OF $16,000

Of Which Sum $13,500 Was Paid On Monday.

All of the cases against the Decatur Coal company which resulted from the disaster in the mine last winter have been settled Five cases were settled for $13 500 The Fagan case was settled through the administrator appointed in the county court a few days ago $2 500 being paid the family The father of Fagan was for many years pit boss in the mine and he is now stricken and helpless and more was given the Fagan family than the other families where an unmarried man was killed

Several days ago the case for damages for the death of Emil Knorr was tried The jury disagreed as to the amount of damages but it was known that all were in favor of giving damages

Wednesday the case of Bertha Laschinski as administratrix of the estate of Charles Laschinski came up The trial was started but before it was finished a compromise was reached in this and in all of the other cases In the each judgment was entered formally in court and the jury was instructed to return a verdict which was done in each case

The amounts paid were as follows
For death of Charles Laschinski $3 000
For the death of Wilhelm Gollon $3 000
For the death of John Gollon $2 000
For the death of Emil Knorr $2 000
For the death of August Jagusch $4 000

In the cases where the men were married $3 000 and the families of the unmarried men were given $2 000 The costs were also paid by the coal company and this made a total of $13 500 together with the $2 500 paid the Fagan family $16 000 all told

Most of the time in the circuit Wednesday was taken up with these cases

A new docket setting has been arranged for the circuit court Copies were distributed to some of the attorneys yesterday afternoon The rest will be given copies today The new setting follows

Monday Oct 30 —Prickett vs White Allen vs Evans
Tuesday Oct 31—Chamberlain vs Wabash Drew vs Davis, Tabor vs Hell
Wednesday Nov 1—Prickett vs Clem Betz vs Finch
Thursday Nov 2—Brady vs Westhafer
Friday Nov 3—Rogers vs Synite Co Decatur vs Hogan L C Co vs Dec Candy Co Campbell vs Dec Candy Co
Monday Nov 6—Meyer vs Insurance Co Bean vs Ferguson Havens vs Havens
Tuesday Nov 7—Riddell vs Black ledge Wheeler vs Fules
Wednesday Nov 8—Stocks vs Fieker Anderson vs Wabash
Thursday Nov 9—White vs Conrard Petzel vs Faires Mfg Co Huff vs Ryan
Friday Nov 10—Decatur vs Hogan Haney vs Howard Assumption vs Etter

The setting arranged for Judge Philbrick has been deferred to a later date

The circuit docket entire for yesterday follows

Law Docket

Bertha Laschinski administratrix to Charles Laschinski deceased vs The Decatur Coal Co a corporation trespass on the case defendant is guilty and damages assessed at $3 000

Mina Tagusch vs The Decatur Coal Co trespass on the case trial by jury defendant is guilty and damages assessed at $3 000

Marie Gollon vs the Decatur Coal Co trespass on the case defendant guilty and damages assessed at $3 000

Marie Gollon vs The Decatur Coal Co trespass on the case defendant guilty and damages assessed at $3 000

Caroline M Powers vs William H Spence assumpsit by agreement plea of general issue to stand to additional counts

Amos S Reed vs Mary J Parr appeal from county court, settled costs paid and dismissed

David C Myers vs Insurance company of North America assumpsit rule on defendant to plea to additional special count and common counts by Oct 2 1905

Norman T Tickman vs William E Adams attachment, continued for service

Mary L Randolph vs H C Suttle assumpsit leave to defendant to file additional plea

Frederick Knorr vs The Decatur Coal Co trespass on the case defendant is guilty and damages assessed at $2 000

ONE DEATH FROM DIPHTHERIA.

Seven Cases Have Been Reported to the Board of Health During Past Few Weeks

During the past few weeks there have been seven cases of diphtheria reported to the board of health There has been only one death due to this disease It is thought that there is really no danger from the presence of the disease but the board of health is taking every precaution

During the past three or four days the following wells have been fumigated Lyon Furley 955 West Main street William Simonds 1205 North College street D P Raper 743 West Prairie street William Gephart 847 North Main

FUNERALS.

Mrs Alice Sprinkle.

The funeral of Mrs Alice Sprinkle will be held at the home of her daughter Mrs Harry Sprayd 149 E Marietta street Thursday at 1 30 p m Friends can view the remains from 10 to 1 o clock

YALE WINS AT GOLF.

Garden City L I Oct 18—By a point score of 23½ to 7½ Yale defeated Princeton today in the final round at 36 holes and won the team championship of the inter-collegiate golf association.

AN AFTERNOON WEDDING

Marriage of Miss Bertha Price to George O. Thomas of Springfield.

PRETTY DECORATIONS.

George O Thomas of Springfield and Miss Bertha Price were united in marriage at the home of the bride s parents Mr and Mrs S A Price 614 East Leafland avenue Wednesday at 1 o clock Only near relatives and intimate friends were present Rev N M Baker performed the ceremony Miss Fannie Price sister of the bride and Milton Thompson were the attendants The bridal pair was preceded by Iva and Regina Price sisters of the bride who carried the flowers

The bride was attired in a beautiful gown of white mohair trimmed with point lace and white silk and carried a bride s rose Miss Fannie Price the bridesmaid was gowned in white mohair trimmed with white silk The house was tastefully decorated in pink green and white Carnations and roses were used in profusion in the decorations A wedding dinner was served at 2 o clock

Mr and Mrs Thomas received a number of beautiful presents from friends and relatives among which was a handsome set of silverware the gift of Linn & Scruggs linen and silverware from friends among the employes of Linn & Scruggs and a parlor clock and pretty glassware from relatives

Mrs Thomas has been in the employ of Linn & Scruggs for the past four years and has a large circle of friends here with whom she is very popular Mr Thomas is an enterprising plumber and holds a high position with R A Roosa & Co in Springfield

Mr and Mrs Thomas will be at home to their friends in Springfield after November 1

The Petit Jurors

The petit jury in the circuit court for the following two weeks have been empaneled as follows
Friends Creek—H P Thrift
Harristown—W B McDaniel
Illini—Reni Knight
First Maroa—Dan Davis Walker Smith E McKay
Second Maroa—Zeph Hilt
Mt Zion—E E Davidson, J F Pierce
Niantic—S R Moore
Pleasant View—John Christinson Henry Dawson
South Macon—A L Griffith
Decatur—W A Priest E S McClelland James Keyes, N H Elwood, George E Moeller, George W Ehrhart, Levi Sweeny C S Dickinson, Fair, Gross George W. Robbins S McCullom

Lightning Causes Fire

Ashmore Ill Oct 18 —Lightning set fire to the lumber yard of C A Brown today and caused a loss of $50 000 The principal business block in the town was destroyed


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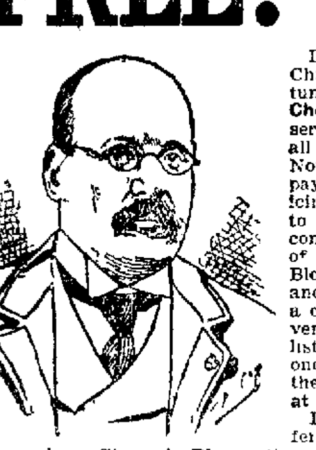
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MARKETS

FINLEY BARRELL LETTER.

By Tyler, Harney & Co., 112 East William St., Both 'Phones, 352.

WHEAT—The market started out firm but gradually eased off and finally closed heavy at practically the low point of the day. The news has been rather conflicting. There has been a great deal of selling of long wheat by those who failed to sell on yesterday's bulge and some reselling by shorts who covered yesterday. The trade is nonplussed at the Armour attitude, at a loss to determine whether his line has been reduced or otherwise during today's fluctuations. Marconi wheat has sold at the highest prices on crop and at big advances over the sales early in crop year. Good export demand for low grades and eastern demand and for all at Duluth, where lake freights are steadily advancing under the efforts of shippers to forward cargoes. Weather in Canadian Northwest very rough and low temperatures. The market was given a backset by northwestern country elevator stocks announced at 14,000,000 bushels vs. average of five to eight millions in last five years at this time. This is the first public announcement of the country elevator stocks in over a year. Export sales at seaboard, 15 loads, including ten marcaroni. Argentine shipments estimated at 800,000 vs. 1,168,000 a year ago.

CORN—Despite the rough weather which has caused some fears of moderate delay in marketings of new corn, the tendency of prices today has been downward. Predictions of colder weather to follow present rains through the west offset the early influence of general rains west. Short sellers have had more courage in all distant months and cash houses have sold. Argentine shipments for the week estimated at 1,200,000 bushels. Cash sales 50,000 bushels. Seaboard sales 24 loads.

OATS—Oats were firm at the start, but have sold off since. In addition to unloading by longs, apparent in all grains to more or less extent today, there was selling by cash houses against purchases made in the country and there has been some short selling. The cash demand has not been as urgent as heretofore.

PROVISIONS — There has been liquidation in October ribs, attended with a decline of 40c, but not a great deal of business. There has been a recovery of half of the loss. Meanwhile lard has been firm for all futures, some export business being done by packers who have bought October. Pork has ruled a little lower. Western receipts 57,000 vs. 59,000 vs. 41,600.

RANGE OF OPTIONS.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—The following was the range of options on the board of trade today, with yesterday's close:

	Open	High	Low	Close	Yest.
WHEAT—Dec.—					
	87-87⅛	87⅛	86½	86¾	87
May—					
	87½-⅝	87⅝	86⅞	86⅞	87⅛
CORN—Oct.—					
	50¼	50⅞	50½	50½	50¾
Dec.—New—					
	44⅞-45	45	44½	44½	44⅝-¾
Dec.—Old—					
	45½	45½-⅝	44¾	44⅞	45⅛-¼
May—					
	44⅞-½	44⅞	44½	44⅝	44⅝-⅞
OATS—Dec.—					
	29-⅛	30⅛	28⅞	28⅞-⅞	29
May—					
	31⅛-¼	31⅜	31	31	31⅛
PORK—Jan.—					
	12.50	12.52	12.45	12.45	12.50
LARD—Jan.—					
	6.82	6.87	6.85	6.85	6.82
RIBS—Jan.—					
	6.52	6.55	6.52	6.52	6.55

WEATHER MAP.

Canadian Northwest—2 to 28 above; clear.

Northwest—22 to 42; cloudy; raining, .04 Duluth; snow .18 at Huron. Havre, Mont., 6 below zero; Rapid City, S. D., .16; snow.

West—22 to 54; partly cloudy; rains general; North Platte, .26; Valentine, .36; Sioux City, .12; raining Omaha, .04; Des Moines raining.

Southwest—24 to 70; partly cloudy; Concordia, .06; Wichita, trace; Oklahoma City, raining.

Ohio Valley—62 to 68; rains heavy and general; Louisville, 1.76; Cincinnati, 1.02.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—Hogs—Open generally steady; 8,000 left over.

Mixed, $4.95 to $5.55; heavy, $4.75 to $5.55; rough, $4.75 to $5.00; light, $5.00 to $5.45.

Cattle—Market strong.

Sheep—Steady.

CASH CORN.

No. 2, 52½ to 52¾c; No. 2 white, 53½c; No. 2 yellow, 54 to 54½c; No. 3, 52 to 52½c; No. 3 white, 53c; No. 3 yellow, 53½ to 54c; No. 4, 51 to 53½c;

CASH OATS.

No. 2, 28½c; No. 2 white, 29⅞ to 30½c; No. 3, 28 to 28½c; No. 3 white, 28½ to 29½c; No. 4 white, 28½ to 28⅞c; standard, 29½c.

CASH WHEAT.

No. 2 red, 87⅞ to 88⅞c; No. 2 red, 85 to 87⅞c; No. 2 hard winter, 85½ to 87½c; No. 3 hard winter, 83½ to 86c; No. 1 new spring, 88⅞ to 90c; No. 2 northern spring, 85 to 87c; No. 3 spring, 82 to 87c.

CLEARANCES.

Wheat and flour	13,000 bu.
Corn	69,000 bu.
Oats	1,000 bu.

PRIMARY MOVEMENTS.

	Today	Last Yr.
Wheat—		
Receipts	1,309,000	1,060,000
Shipments	430,000	569,000
Corn—	Today	Last Yr.
Receipts	262,000	280,000
Shipments	266,000	355,000

ST. LOUIS WHEAT.

	Today	Last Wk.	Last Yr.
Receipts	52,000	64,000	68,000
Shipm'ts	51,000	91,000	47,000

KANSAS CITY WHEAT.

Receipts	135,000	120,000	125,000
Shipm'ts	137,000	84,000	101,000

PRICE CURRENT.

Cincinnati, Oct. 19.—Price Current says: Corn husking reports reflect some disappointing yields, but nothing yet to disturb indications of a record crop. Deficient moisture in western sections somewhat curtailing wheat seeding and retarding germination. General position encouraging.

Packing, 430,000, against 410,000 last year.

EST. LIVE STOCK RECEIPTS.

	Hogs	Cattle	Sheep
Chicago	20,000	10,000	25,000
Omaha	5,000	4,000	12,000
Kansas City	10,000	12,000	4,000

LIVE STOCK AT ST. LOUIS.

St. Louis, Oct. 19.—Cattle—Receipts, 3,000; prices steady; beef steers, $2.50 to $5.80; stockers and feeders, $2 to $3.35; cows and heifers, $2.20 to $4.40; Texas steers, $2 to $3.55.

Hogs—Receipts, 6,000; market five higher; range, $4.75 to $5.45.

WHEAT AT MINNEAPOLIS.

Minneapolis, Oct. 19.—Wheat—December, 81¼c; May, 85¼c.

Cash—On track, No. 1 hard, 84½c; No. 1 northern, 83¾c to 84c; No. 2 northern, 81¼c to 81½c.

NEW YORK GRAIN.

New York, Oct. 19—Wheat—Receipts 118,000; spot easy; No. 2 red, 91⅝c at elevator and No. 2 red, 92⅝c f. o. b. and afloat. Options closed ⅛c to ⅝c net lower. December, 91⅞c.

Corn—Receipts, 14,000; exports, 700; spot, steady; No. 2 nominal and elevator, 61½c f. o. b. and afloat; options closed ⅛c to ½c net lower. December, 51½c.

Oats—Receipts 120,000; exports 1,000. Spot, steady; mixed, 33c to 33½c; white, 34c to 35c; clipped white, 35c to 36½c.

MARKET FLOODED WITH CATTLE.

Prices Are 25 Cents Lower As a Result.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—Cattle—Too many cattle have arrived this week. Today's market was worse than ever, and prices were 25c lower than at the close of last week, the best accepted. Stocker and feeder trade was fairly animated.

Hogs—The demand was active, buying being largely on the local account and prices were about the same as yesterday. Bulk of sales were made at $5.10 to $5.45.

Sheep—Offerings were well taken, trade active at generally steady prices.

GRAIN AT LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, Oct. 19.—Wheat—Spot, steady; No. 2 red western winter, 6s 6d.

Corn—Spot, steady; American mixed, 5s 1½d.

MONEY.

New York, Oct. 19.—Money on call, steady to 5½ per cent.; closing bid, 4½ per cent; offered at 1½ per cent; time loans steady; sixty days and ninety days, 5 per cent; six months, 4¾ per cent; prime paper, 5 to 5½ per cent; exchange, easy; closing strong; demand, $486.40 to $486.45; sixty days, $482.65 to $482.70.

Bar silver, 62½c.

POULTRY AND DAIRY.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—Butter—Market firm; creameries, 17½c to 21½c; dairies, 16½c to 19c.

Eggs—Market firm; 15½c to 17¾c.

Poultry—Market steady; turkeys, 17c; chickens, 11c; springs, 10½c to 11c.

New York, Oct. 19.—Butter and eggs—Market firm and unchanged.

Poultry—Alive, quiet; chickens, 13½c; fowls, 13c; turkeys, 14c; dressed, irregular; chickens, 15c; fowls, 10c to 13½c; turkeys, 14c to 20c.

GRAIN AT ST. LOUIS.

St. Louis, Oct. 19.—Wheat—December, 85⅛c; corn, 42⅛c; oats, 28c.

CORN AT PEORIA.

Peoria, Oct. 19.—Corn, No. 3, 52½c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—Rye—Cash, 69c.

Flax—93c to 99c.

Clover—$13.25.

Barley—36½c to 52c.

Timothy—March, $3.55.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—Cattle—Receipts, 10,000; market steady; beeves, $3.65 to $6.10; cows and heifers, $1.15 to $1.50; stockers and feeders, $2.10 to $4.30; Texans, $3.30 to $4.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 20,000; market steady; mixed and butchers, $4.95 to $5.55; good to choice heavy, $5.25 to $5.55; rough heavy, $4.85 to $5.10; light, $4.95 to $5.45; bulk of sales, $5.10 to $5.40.

Sheep — Receipts, 25,000; market strong; $4 to $5.30; lambs, $4.75 to $8.

Decatur Markets.

LOCAL GRAIN MARKET.

Wheat	80c
White corn, round lots 51c; single loads	50
Yellow corn, round lots 50c; single loads	49c
Mixed corn, round lots 49c; single loads	48c
White oats, round lots, 26c; single loads	24c
Mixed oats, round lots, 24c; single loads	22c
Rye	60c

FEED PRICES PAID TO FARMERS.

Timothy hay, per ton	$9.50 to $10.00
Oats	26c
New corn, bu	40c
Old corn, single loads	32c
Clover hay	$7 to $8
Oat straw	$4 to $4.25

RETAIL PRICES.

Timothy hay, per cwt	65c
Clover, per cwt	55c
Straw	30c
Oats, per bushel	30@35c
Cracked corn, per cwt	$1.25
Old corn bu	65c
New corn bu	50c
Corn and oats, chops, etc., cwt	$1.25
Wheat, for feed, bushel	$1.00
Shorts, cwt	$1.10
Bran	90c

BUTCHER STOCK.

Hogs	$4.75 to 5.25
Shipping steers	$4.00 to 5.00
Butcher steers	$3.50@4.00
Sheep	$4.50
Cows	$2.50@3.00
Calves	$4.00@5.00
Lambs	$6.00
Heifers	$2.50@3.50

POULTRY MARKET.

Hens	7½c
Old Cocks	5c
Spring chickens (large)	7½
Gobblers	10c
Old Toms	10c
Hen Turkeys	11c
F. F. Ducks	7c
Live Pigeons, doz	60c
Fresh Eggs	15c
Choice Butter	14c
No. 1 Hides	9c
Horse Hides, large	$2.75
Horse Hides, small	$2.00
Sheep Pelts	40c@80c
Tallow	4c

MISCELLANEOUS.

Choice butter	14½c
Sheep pelts	50c to 75c
No. 1 hides	10c
Horse hides	$2.75
Horse hides, small	$2.50
Live pigeons, per dozen	50c
Wool	28@30c

Miss Stella Riber of Mt. Zion was a Decatur visitor yesterday.

FIRST STEP IN NEW INTERURBAN

Directors Elected at Meeting Held In Sullivan Thursday Afternoon.

SEVENTY FIVE THERE

And Everyone Enthusiastic For New Project.

The initial steps for the building of an interurban road between this city and Mattoon, to be known as the Decatur, Sullivan & Mattoon Transit company, were taken at a meeting held in the club rooms at Sullivan Thursday afternoon. This project has recently been referred to in the Herald and the general outline is understood by the readers of this paper.

R. B. Starbuck, an old and experienced railroad man formerly holding the position of superintendent of the Peoria division of the Illinois Central, is the moving spirit of the undertaking. He realizes to the fullest extent the possibilities of such a line and his knowledge of railroad affairs is largely depended upon.

Enthusiastic.

At the meeting Thursday afternoon there were seventy-five men present who are likely to become interested in the project. These men came from the towns along the right of way of the proposed line and represented the business interests of each to a very great extent. There was the greatest enthusiasm for the project and there was not a man present who did not feel that the proposed interurban was not only feasible but offered a profitable investment. Only a preliminary organization was effected.

This was done by naming S. W. Wright, Jr., as the chairman of the meeting, and E. A. Stivers, of Sullivan as secretary.

Nominating Committee.

The first business was to name a nominating committee, which was done as follows, every town of importance along the line of the road being given representation.

Decatur—J. M. Clokey, T. T. Springer, J. H. Culver, Theron Powers and F. B. Tait.

Mt. Zion—George B. Spitten.

Dalton City—J. H. Uppendahl.

Bethany—A. R. Scott.

Hampton—Isaac Horn.

Sullivan—J. B. Titus, E. A. Silvers

Allen—L. C. Flemming.

Cole—R. R. Gahart.

Mattoon—R. B. Starbuck, D. B. Sterabough, John R. Hamilton.

The Directors.

The nominating committee later reported to the convention the names of the following nine gentlemen as members of the board of directors:

Decatur—J. M. Clokey, Felix B. Tait.

Bethany—A. R. Scott.

Dalton—J. H. Uppendahl.

Mt. Zion—G. B. Spitten.

Sullivan—J. B. Titus, W. A. Steele.

Mattoon—R. B. Starbuck, E. C. Craig.

Applications for a fifty-year charter will at once be made, the company to be known as the Decatur, Sullivan & Mattoon Transit Co., capital $2,500, with shares at the value of $25. The amount of the capitalization is small because it is not necessary to make it large at the inauguration of the company.

The Cost.

The estimated cost of building the road is $600,000. The promoters hope to advance the preliminaries to the extent of beginning actual building next year. It is believed by the promoters of the road that there is no field in central Illinois offering more allurements for profitable interurban business than between the two proposed terminals of the line. It is a well known fact that this territory gives to the Central an enormous local trade each year.

Mattoon Endorses It.

The Mattoon Star of Thursday morning said:

The Chamber of Commerce Wednesday night elected officers and endorsed the proposed Mattoon-Decatur interurban line.

The following officers composing the ticket nominated by a special committee were elected by acclamation:

President—M. L. O'Connor.

Vice President—George O. Cobb.

Treasurer—W. M. McKamy.

Interurban Proposition.

Alderman R. B. Starbuck, promoter of the proposed Mattoon-Decatur interurban company, outlined what had been done. He said the Decatur Chamber of Commerce had endorsed the proposition and named a committee to meet at Sullivan this afternoon to further the project by effecting the preliminaries tending towards incorporation and the making of surveys, profiles, etc. He said it was hoped to have everything in readiness for construction next spring.

Mr. Starbuck said the road could be built for $600,00 and by carrying 275 passengers daily, an 8 per cent return would be had on the investment. He stated that he had spoken to a number of leading Mattoon business men who favored the project and he desired a strong delegation to accompany him to Sullivan to show where Mattoon stood in the matter. Expression was given by a number present in favor of the interurban and a resolution endorsing it was passed by the Chamber of Commerce.

THE POLITICS OF FAME.

New York World: No one need take seriously a method of listing American immortals for a "Hall of Fame" that leaves Edgar Allen Poe's name unchosen.

Lowell's and Whittier's names were selected yesterday. Either of these authors may have been a more estimable man than Poe; both would feel more complimented at being left outside a hall of fame with the greater genius than at being invited in without him.

Poe got drunk and behaved badly. As a southern man he did not and does not appeal to that superstition that sees no American literature outside of New England. Enduring fame will not be moved by such petty considerations.

Brint Jeffers has returned to his home after spending a few days at the home of J. H. Onstott

BULK OYSTERS ARE COMING

Dealers Have a Supply Coming for the Trade On Saturday.

SCARCE AND HIGH.

Apples Have Reached the Point of Luxury.

Oysters in the bulk will be on sale at the stores Saturday for the first time this season. The oysters are good ones and may be had in blue points and all the other brands. Little neck clams and quohoags will also tempt the palate of the lovers of the deep sea fish. Plenty of fish will be on the market for Saturday's offering. All kinds are in stock including genuine silver herring and black bass. The herring sells for 12½c for a special Saturday.

Apples Are High.

For those who love apples, there is little in sight within reach of the moderate pocketbook. The best apples come from New York. Twenty-ounce Pippins and Orleans apples come at 60 to 70c a peck. They will be on hand all winter. Grime's Golden is another one that will come high. The usual stock of Belleflowers and others are in stock now. Greenings from New York can be bought for 50c the peck, and Kings are still higher. In the home grown line there is little to offer with the exception of Little Jenitons, which are on sale at 30c.

Grapes will be lower Saturday than they have been for a long time. For Saturday's selling they will be offered at 25c a basket. Had not a carload of them just been received the price would have been 30c at the lowest.

Vegetable Line

In the vegetable line there are several new ones. Radishes and oyster plants come at 5c a bunch. Watercress is the same price. Spinach can be purchased at any store for 30c a peck. Parsnips are 40c and turnips are 20c. Hubbard squashes can be found at prices ranging from 10c to 20c. Crookneck squashes come a little higher, averaging 15c each.

Colorado peaches cannot be found for less than 30c for a small basket. Michigans, it will be found, will be 50c at the lowest figure.

Keiffer pears, for canning purposes, come at $140 or 40c a peck.

The Pineapples

Florida pineapples have been received. They sell from 15 to 40c each. Cranberries are 15c a pound or two for a quarter. Pomegranates are 5c each. Chestnuts, a new arrival and pretty wormy at that, are 15c a pound.

Pure country sorghum will be on tap Saturday for the first time this year, selling at 60c a gallon. New cider will also be in stock and costs 30c a gallon.

RETAIL QUOTATIONS.

Vegetables.

Garlic—20c per lb.
Sweet potatoes—30 to 50c peck.
Cauliflower—20 to 30c head.
Summer squash—10c.
Michigan celery—30c bunch; 3 stalks 10c.
Wax beans—10c quart.
Egg plant—10 to 15c each
Green beans—10c quart.
Cucumbers, hothouse—10c each.
Tomatoes—20c basket; $1.50 bushel.
Horseradish—10c a root.
New beets—50 to 75c per bushel.
New carrots—40c peck.
Cabbage—5 to 10c per head.
Potatoes—20c peck; northern, 25c peck.
Leaf lettuce—5c a head.
Onions—25 to 40c peck.
Onions, pickling—10c quart.
Onions, Spanish—5c a pound.
Onions, dry—35c peck.
Parsley—5c bunch.
Head lettuce—10c a head.
Red peppers—5c dozen.
Green peppers—5 and 10c dozen.

Butter, Eggs, Honey

Renowated butter—25c pound.
Creamery—30c pound.
Country—25c pound.
Dunkard butter—28c pound.
Butterine, white—2 pounds 30c.
Butterine, yellow—15 to 20c.
Eggs—25 to 28c dozen.
Honey, in frame—20c pound.

Fruits

Apples—30 to 75c peck.
Michigan Concord grapes—25 to 30c basket.
Oranges, Floridas—30 to 50c dozen.
Bananas—15 to 20c dozen.
Oranges, late Valencias—40 to 60c dozen.
Lemons—40 to 50c dozen.
Imported Malaga grapes, white—20c pound.
California grapes—15c pound.
Five-pound basket Delaware grapes—25c.

Poultry.

Fry chickens—35 to 60c each.
Hens—15c pound.
Baking chickens, dressed—15c pound.
Pigeons—15c each; 2 for 25c.

Fish.

Bull heads—15c pound.
Lake trout—15c pound.
Halibut—18c pound.
Salmon—18c pound.
Large buffalo—10c pound.
Clams, quohaugs—25c dozen.
Clams, little necks—25c.
Fresh herring—10c pound.
Salt white fish—10c pound.
Salt mackrel—5 to 45c each.
Fresh cod steak—18c pound.
Smoked halibut—25c pound.
Pike—15c pound.
Channel cat—18c pound.
Croppies—10c pound.
Fresh salmon steak—18c pound; 2 pounds 35c.
Oysters, full quarts, Selects—50c.
Oysters, full quarts, Standards—40c.
Oysters, ¾ quarts, Standards—25c.
Oysters, ¾ quarts, Selects—35c.
Bulk oysters, Standards—40c quart.
Bulk oysters, Selects—50c quart.

Takes the Express.

H. Hoots, who has been on the Decatur street car line for the past several years, will this morning take charge of the interurban express car, running between Decatur and Springfield. He has been one of the best and most accommodating men on the line and his promotion is well merited.

Nearby Towns

RECEPTION GIVEN REV. GICHRIST

Niantic Christian Church People Greet Popular Pastor.

Niantic, Oct. 19.—A reception to Rev. Gilchrist and wife and Mrs. Nancy Hobbs, Mrs. Gilchrist's mother, was given at the Christian church tonight. An address of welcome written by Mrs. L. O. Hawk was read by Mrs. Hattie Jacobson. Light refreshments were served. Rev. Robbins and Rev. Hale came up from Illiopolis. In behalf of the congregation Rev. Robbins presented to Rev. Gilchrist a fine chair, to Mrs. Hobbs and Mrs. Gilchrist each a silver mounted silk umbrella. The occasion was most enjoyable, though sadness at parting from their former pastor was mingled with the pleasure. Mr. Gilchrist and family leave next week for Fulton, Missouri.

Rev. Haskell of Ferris, Ill., preached Monday and Tuesday evenings at the Christian church, going from here to Ladoga, Ind. He has a call to preach at Houston, Tex.

Richard Beck and wife and William Wree and family are in Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs, of Peoria, were here over Sunday with relatives.

Mrs. Blake has gone to Tryon, Okla., for the winter.

Mrs. Joseph Kitch, of Macomb, was the guest of Mrs. Mary Kitch Monday, going from here to Harold.

Friday evening's lecture, "From the Bay of Fundy to the Golden Gate," was most excellent. It was the last of a series of illustrated lectures by Rev. Robbins of Harristown, whose stereopticon views of scenes in Palestine and other countries were appreciated by large crowds each evening. Friday evening's lecture was particularly entertaining.

The funeral of Richard L. Bramel at Berea or Sanders church was the most largely attended of any ever held there. Relatives and friends were present from Blue Mound, Mt. Auburn, Osbornville, Missionville, Decatur and Niantic. Deceased was the son of Dorinda and Elias Bramel. He leaves, besides his parents, his wife, six brothers and three sisters.

Mrs. Emily Dingman has returned from Farmersville, where she visited Mrs. Caroline Tilley, who accompanied her home. Mrs. Dingman came home on account of illness from which she is quite feeble.

Walter Averitt's little son is quite ill at the home of Thomas Claypool.

George Marvel of Clinton is piloting a party from this place to LaMar, Mo., on a land purchasing trip.

Mat Lay is visiting with his brother, Ed., in Russell, Ark., this week.

George Smith, John Baker and John Hoose are prospecting in South Dakota this week.

William and Art Rich are in Kansas on business.

Lessie Pierce is at Stuttgart this week on business.

Clint Zoll went to western Nebraska Tuesday on business.

John Sheets was in Peoria Tuesday on business.

Emery Mosford came down from Bloomington Tuesday for a two days' visit.

Joseph E. Bell went to Rock Island Tuesday on business.

After about a month's visit in Ohio W. A. Graham returned Wednesday and reports a very pleasant time.

Mrs. Kate Smith was in Peoria Tuesday.

PRAIRIE HOME.

Prairie Home, Oct. 19.—Mrs. Lulu Beck and Mrs. May Shaffer spent Friday with friends in Moweaqua.

C. W. Taggart attended the dedication of the Christian church in Bethany Sunday.

Little Carl Carroll was severely burned last week by turning a kettle of hot water over his face.

Miss Dora Pain of Mowequa is sewing for Mrs. Lulu Beck.

Bert Wise, mother and sisters spent Saturday with Mr. E. A. Atchison's, near Findlay.

Mr. J. Brown was very sick Friday night. They called Drs. Davis and Cunningham of Bethany.

Mrs. Carpenter and son were shopping in Moweaqua Friday.

Farmers are busy husking corn. Hands are coming from the south this week; they have been very scarce here.

VOORHIES.

Voorhies, Oct. 19.—Mary Barry of Chicago spent part of last week with her parents, Peter Gray and wife.

James Elliott, who has been sick at the Wabash hospital for the past three weeks, was able to return home Thursday.

Sunday visitors: W. T. Shasteene and family at Geo. Larson's; Fred Fisher and sisters, Miss Ada Hopkins, Gussie Dyarman and Mayme Fisher, at Robt. Lamb's; Chas. Funk and family at Herb Levitte's.

Nels Larson has improved the appearance of his residence by putting a new iron fence in front of it.

Quite a number from our vicinity attended the musical in Bement Tuesday evening.

Miss Lina Weber returned to Pat Curry's the first of the week, where she will make her home the coming winter.

TAYLORVILLE.

Taylorville, Oct. 19.—Albert Cooper and Miss Della Matthews were married this evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Matthews, in North Dakota suburb.

Robert A. Barry has returned from a ten days' visit with his sister, Mrs. A. M. Doddern, at Delaware, O.

Robert S. Smith, son of Postmaster J. R. Smith, has returned from Fort Des Moines, Ia., where he was a private in Company M, 11th Cavalry. He has recently been discharged and will remain at home.

Miss Florence Goforth of Flat River, Mo., is the guest of her sister, Miss Mary Goforth.

J. L. Hill of Flint, Mich., is in town the guest of J. R. Smith.

Miss Hester Richardson has returned from a visit to Auburn friends.

Marriage licenses issued: Thomas M. Osborne, Pana, 19; Mayella Jordan, Pana, 18. Albert Cooper, Taylorville, 21; Della Matthews, Taylorville, 17.

HARRISTOWN.

Harristown, Oct. 19.—Rev. Cole, of Eureka, preached at the Christian church last Sunday morning and evening.

Alice and Laura Connelly are visiting relatives in Springfield.

Misses Lulu and Lela Eyman have left for Jacksonville, where they will study for nurses.

Mr. D. Troutman and mother of Indiana were here attending the funeral of Mrs. Henson.

Rev. Elder and wife of Pleasant Plains are here visiting their daughter, Mrs. O. P. Urmston, who is very sick.

J. N. Baer and wife of Bearsdale visited with J. W. Rotz and family last Wednesday.

Quite a number of the farmers have commenced husking corn in this vicinity.

P. M. Oliver and family visited relatives in Blue Mound Sunday.

John Arnold and Ethel Morley were married at the home of Rev. Pierce last Wednesday evening, Rev. Pierce officiating.

WAYNESVILLE.

Waynesville, Oct. 19.—Howard Flayer has accepted a position on the street cars in Peoria.

Mr. and Mrs. William Payne, of Bloomington, Ind., are visiting with their daughter, Mrs. Sam Martin.

VALUABLE FARM DECATUR MAN BUYS

Thomas McGowan Invests in Property at Dalton City.

Dalton City, Oct. 19.—P. R. Grounds sold 80 acres of land last week to Thos. McGowan of Decatur, for the sum of $200 per acre. The land is close to town and is quite valuable at the present time.

Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Grounds, Robert and wife, and H. L. Grounds accompanied Land Agent John Whemhoff to look at some land and town property in Missouri.

Grandma McClure is very low at this writing. Her sons, Bud and Elmer and her daughter, Mrs. Edith Carnes, were called home Sunday. One lives at St. Louis, Mo., the other son and daughter live at Gault, Mo.

Frank Freeland and wife and daughter, who are living in Decatur, were calling on their many friends Saturday and Sunday.

The last ball game of the season was played Sunday between the Dalton Grays and Lovington Reds. The Grays came off victorious. The score was 16 to 2.

Louis Dixson, Frank Wilson, Thomas Wilson went to Lamar, Mo., Tuesday to look at the country.

Mrs. Lucas of Sullivan was called here Saturday to see her mother, who is very low with dropsy.

BEMENT.

Bement, Ill., Oct. 19.—Mr. McKinney moved his family from the Bail property to the house recently occupied by Mrs. Hancock.

Mrs. Wm. Mason returned from their western trip Tuesday.

Miss Lura Woolington is visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Alvord.

Sam Mann is on the sick list.

Cal Adams of Cerro Gordo attended the band boys' entertainment.

Miss Olive Tenney, who has been so ill is better.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas Conway was in Decatur Monday.

The minstrel given by society people under the management of Rufus K. Love Tuesday, October 17, was well rendered to a full house. Much credit is due to Mr. Love as he only drilled them one week.

Mrs. William Bradley and daughter, Eva, were shopping in Decatur Tuesday.

Mrs. Charles Adkins has the typhoid fever.

Mrs. Gus Wall and daughter, Gussie, made a business trip to Decatur Tuesday.

John Cornelius had a paralytic stroke Monday and is in a serious condition.

Miss Francis Fairbank went to Hammond to visit her sister, Mrs. Van Hook.

The Modern Woodman team went to Monticello Wednesday in a hack to assist in the initiation of several new members.

The Christian church will commence their revival meeting October 20.

Mrs. William Munson of Clinton is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Homer Shaw.

Warren Deakin returned home on Tuesday night.

Will Body had put an addition of one room to his house.

A missionary priest is holding meetings at the Catholic church of evenings and is well attended.

Miss Birdie Sterns visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sprague Tuesday evening.

W. F. Lodge of Monticello was in town Tuesday on business.

James Howard of Monticello who was stricken with a paralytic stroke Sunday, is still unconscious and is just alive. His death is hourly expected.

MISS McTLHENEY IS TO MARRY

Cards Out Announcing Coming Wedding of Kenney Girl.

Special Correspondence.

Kenney, Ill., Oct. 19.—Cards are out announcing the marriage of Mr. Vangerpin of Hartsburg to Miss Lena McElhaney, October 25.

Mrs. Jackson returned from Decatur Monday, where she had been visiting her daughter.

Dr. Poppet of Mt. Pulaski, came Monday night on the Diamond special to see the babe of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kemp, which has been quite sick.

B. B. Ives went to Oklahoma this week to look at the country.

Mrs. Suttle was over from Decatur Monday.

The surveyors of the Illinois Central were at the pit Tuesday doing work.

Owing to the stormy weather but few delegates have come to the Sunday school convention.

Mrs. Corney Furman of 328 West King street, Decatur, is the guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. P. Orr, this week.

Mrs. James Kemp has returned from Iowa, where she had been called to see her mother Mrs. Susan Kenney, who was very sick, but has now recovered.

Kenney, Oct. 19.

FORSYTH.

Forsyth, Oct. 19.—Mr. and Mrs. Gardner reutrned to their home in Ohio, Wednesday, after a visit to V. Barton and family.

Miss Nellie Hays and T. J. Smith visited relatives in Morrisonville Saturday.

Mrs. V. T. Hays is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Shoemaker and Miss Pearl spent Sunday with Mrs. Baden at Decatur.

Roy Melhorn and John Dunn visited here Sunday.

Quincy Foster gave a dinner Sunday in honor of Misses Laura and Emma Niman, of Pennsylvania. Those present were: Mr. Jacob Koher and Daughter Nellie, Mrs. George Melhorn and daughter Viola, Zask Melhorn and wife, John Melhorn and wife, of Decatur, and Will Melhorn and wife and daughter Mildred, of Assumption.

Mrs. Lee Hayes was a Decatur visitor Monday.

Mrs. Thrift has moved into the Rule property.

Talmage Funk is visiting his mother.

George Closser, Mr. Butler and Jake Lehman were Decatur visitors Wednesday.

Mr. Weaver is compelled to close up his tent hotel on account of the damp weather, which is too hard on his wife, who has been ailing for some time.

PYTHIANS HAVE LEFT DECATUR

Installation of Grand Officers the Closing Event of Public Interest.

THE HOME PROJECT

Committee Membership Increased by Adding Officers.

The grand lodge Knights of Pythias which has been in session [illegible] closed Thursday afternoon. The meeting was a successful one in every [illegible] and the attendance was large. The weather was bad for the members of the Uniform Rank who attempted [illegible] camp at the race track, but [illegible] they were well entertained in Decatur.

The principal business at the closing session in the afternoon was the installation of the officers who were elected Wednesday. Most of the delegates left for their homes during the afternoon and night.

Committee Enlarged.

The committee on the [illegible] of the Pythian home which was [illegible] the old grand chancellor [illegible] Wednesday, was reorganized. Some of the friends of the newly [illegible] grand chancellor [illegible] that he ought to have the right to appoint the committee. A compromise was reached by adding to the committee the newly elected grand officers and making the new grand chancellor commander the chairman of the committee.

Meet at Chicago.

It was decided that the next meeting of the grand lodge should be at Chicago, an invitation having been extended by that city.

Other Business.

The grand chancellor commander asked that $1,200 be appropriated for deputy work among lodges [illegible] help, and for new lodges.

The budget committee presented reports for the expenditure of from $[illegible]-000 to $15,000.

It has not yet been decided when the first meeting of the Pythian [illegible] committee will be held. The committee will be called together by the chairman.

The business of the grand temple of the Rathbone Sisters was [illegible] Thursday morning. The new [illegible] which were elected were [illegible] the law committee made a report.

Among other things done in [illegible] three days' session the grand [illegible] decided to furnish a new outfit for the temple at Sidney, where [illegible] properties were destroyed by fire.

Many of the members left for their homes Thursday morning and [illegible] gone before evening.

Surprised.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles [illegible] were the victims of a pleasant surprise [illegible] night at their home on [illegible] street, the result of a carefully [illegible] and well executed plot [illegible] a large number of their friends. [illegible] were about twenty couples [illegible] crowd. They met at the home of James Charnock on North [illegible] street and marched in [illegible] peeting couple without [illegible] surprise was all that [illegible] for.

After the excitement of [illegible] stages had worn [illegible] selves at home [illegible] ful evening at various [illegible] ment. Dainty refreshments were served. Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] have been married but a short time and the occasion was in the nature of an [illegible] math reception." They were the recipients of a handsome [illegible] lamp, presented by the guests.

Farmers Column

WANTED BOOKKEEPER—YOUNG MAN, MUST be capable, accurate and [illegible] to work and willing to [illegible] if required. Reference [illegible] Address M. O. R., care Herald.

YOU CAN BORROW ANY AMOUNT.
$ 10 We loan money on
$ 20 Furniture, pianos, horses [illegible]
$ 30 Goods in storage, warehouse [illegible]
$ 50 Cattle, wagons, grain in the crib.
$ 75 Growing crops, watches, diamonds.
$ 85 Any amount, any time, any payments.
$100 Any security, no publicity
$150 ALSO WE BUY NOTES. Easy terms.
$200 Oldest loan office in Decatur.
$250 A. T. SUMMERS & SON, 150 Water St.
$500 Next to the Millikin bank.

FOR RENT—170-ACRE FARM 1½ MILE EAST of Clokey's addition, 54 acres [illegible] and pasture. About 13 acres in [illegible] lots. Balance in cultivation. Good house [illegible] rooms, plenty of barn room. Never [illegible] water. A splendid dairy farm. Terms [illegible] cash for grass land and lots, ½ of grain delivered in Decatur. Call at office of E. G. Allen, 223 N. Main street. J. M. RACE.

FOR SALE—CHOICE RECORDED CHESTER White and Poland China hogs, both sexes [illegible] two one-year-old Chester White male hogs. P. Rock Cockerel. Farm seven miles north of Decatur, Ill. W. A. Hinkle.

GOOD FARMS FOR RENT—THREE 240 ACRE farms in Elk County, Kansas, 65 miles [illegible] of Wichita, with good improvements. These farms adjoin school house across road from one of them, 100 to 130 acres in cultivation on each farm, balance of land in pasture and meadow.
One 520-acre adjoining, 160 acres in cultivation, balance in pasture and meadow. This is a splendid stock farm with never-failing water, with good improvements. I want $0.75 per acre for grass land and two-fifths of corn in stock.
Call at the office of E. G. Allen, 223 N. Main street, Decatur, Ill., from 1 to 2 p. m. any day. J. R. RACE.

PUBLIC SALE—HORSES, COWS, STEERS, HOGS, and implements of Whitley farm, 3½ miles south of Harristown, Nov. 8, 1905. PEGRAM & HOSTETLER.

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MARKETS

FINLEY BARRELL LETTER.

By Tyler, Harney & Co., 112 East William St., Both 'Phones, 352.

WHEAT—The market started out firm but gradually eased off and finally closed heavy at practically the low point of the day. The news has been rather conflicting. There has been a great deal of selling of long wheat by those who failed to sell on yesterday's bulge and some reselling by shorts who covered yesterday. The trade is nonplussed at the Armour attitude, at a loss to determine whether his line has been reduced or otherwise during today's fluctuations. Marconi wheat has sold at the highest prices on crop and at big advances over the sales early in crop year. Good export demand for low grades and eastern deer and for all at Duluth, where lake freights are steadily advancing under the efforts of shippers to forward cargoes. Weather in Canadian Northwest very rough and low temperatures. The market was given a backset by northwestern country elevator stocks announced at 14,000,000 bushels vs. average of five to eight millions in last five years at this time. This is the first public announcement of the country elevator stocks in over a year. Export sales at seaboard, 15 loads, including ten marcaroni. Argentine shipments estimated at 800,000 vs. 1,165,000 a year ago.

CORN—Despite the rough weather which has caused some fears of moderate delay in marketings of new corn, the tendency of prices today has been downward. Predictions of colder weather to follow present rains through the west offset the early influence of general rains west. Short sellers have had more courage in all distant months and cash houses have sold. Argentine shipments for the week estimated at 1,200,000 bushels. Cash sales 50,000 bushels. Scaboard sales 24 loads.

OATS—Oats were firm at the start, but have sold off since. In addition to unloading by longs, apparent in all grains to more or less extent today, there was selling by cash houses against purchases made in the country and there has been some short selling. The cash demand has not been as urgent as heretofore.

PROVISIONS — There has been liquidation in October ribs, attended with a decline of 40c, but not a great deal of business. There has been a recovery of half of the loss. Meanwhile lard has been firm for all futures, some export business being done by packers who have bought October. Pork has ruled a little lower. Western receipts 57,000 vs. 50,000 vs. 41,600.

RANGE OF OPTIONS.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—The following was the range of options on the board of trade today, with yesterday's close.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Yest.
WHEAT—Dec—	87-87½	87⅛	86⅛	86⅛	87
May—	87½-⅝	87⅞	86⅝	86⅞	87⅛
CORN—Oct.—	50⅞	50⅞	50½	50½	50⅜
Dec.—New—	44⅞-45	45	44⅝	44½	44⅜-¾
Dec.—Old—	45⅛	45½-⅝	44⅞	44⅞	45⅜-½
May—	44⅜-½	44⅛	44⅛	44⅛	44½-⅝
OATS—Dec.—	29-⅛	29⅛	28⅞	28¾-⅞	29
May—	31½-⅝	31⅛	31	31	31½
PORK—Jan—	12.50	12.52	12.45	12.45	12.50
LARD—Jan.—	6.82	6.87	6.85	6.85	6.82
RIBS—Jan.—	6.52	6.55	6.52	6.52	6.55

WEATHER MAP.

Canadian Northwest—2 to 28 above; clear.

Northwest—22 to 42; cloudy; raining, .04 Duluth, snow .18 at Huron. Havre, Mont., 6 below zero, Rapid City, S. D., .16; snow.

West—22 to 54; partly cloudy; rains general; North Platte, .26; Valentine, .36; Sioux City, .12; raining Omaha, .04; Des Moines raining.

Southwest—30 to 70, partly cloudy; Concordia, .06; Wichita, trace, Oklahoma City, raining.

Ohio Valley—62 to 68; rains heavy and general; Louisville, 1.76, Cincinnati, 1.02.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—Hogs—Open generally steady; 8,000 left over.

Mixed, $4.95 to $5.55, heavy, $4.75 to $5.55; rough, $4.75 to $5.00; light, $5.00 to $5.45.

Cattle—Market strong.

Sheep—Steady.

CASH CORN.

No. 2, 52½ to 52½c; No. 2 white, 53½c; No. 2 yellow, 54 to 54½c; No. 3, 52 to 52½c; No. 3 white, 53c; No. 3 yellow, 53½ to 54c; No. 4, 51 to 53½c.

CASH OATS.

No. 2, 28½c; No. 2 white, 29⅞ to 30½c; No. 3, 28 to 28½c; No. 3 white, 29½ to 29½c; No. 4 white, 28½ to 28⅞c; standard, 29½c.

CASH WHEAT.

No. 2 red, 87⅞ to 88½c; No. 2 red, 85 to 87½c; No. 2 hard winter, 85½ to 87½c; No. 3 hard winter, 83½ to 86c; No. 1 new spring, 88⅞ to 90c; No. 2 northern spring, 85 to 87c; No. 3 spring, 82 to 87c.

CLEARANCES.

Wheat and flour	13,000 bu.
Corn	69,000 bu.
Oats	1,000 bu.

PRIMARY MOVEMENTS.

Wheat—	Today	Last Yr.
Receipts	1,309,000	1,060,000
Shipments	430,000	569,000
Corn—	Today	Last Yr
Receipts	262,000	280,000
Shipments	266,000	356,000

ST. LOUIS WHEAT.

	Today	Last Wk.	Last Yr.
Receipts	52,000	64,000	68,000
Shipm'ts	51,000	91,000	47,000

KANSAS CITY WHEAT.

Receipts.	135,000	120,000	125,000
Shipm'ts	137,000	84,000	101,000

PRICE CURRENT.

Cincinnati, Oct. 19.—Price Current says: Corn husking reports reflect some disappointing yields, but nothing yet to disturb indications of a record crop. Deficient moisture in western sections somewhat curtailing wheat seeding and retarding germination. General position encouraging.

Packing, 480,000, against 410,000 last year.

EST. LIVE STOCK RECEIPTS.

	Hogs	Cattle	Sheep
Chicago	20,000	15,000	25,000
Omaha	5,000	4,000	12,000
Kansas City	10,000	12,000	4,000

LIVE STOCK AT ST. LOUIS.

St. Louis, Oct 19.—Cattle—Receipts, 3,000; prices steady; beef steers, $2.50 to $5.80, stockers and feeders, $2 to $3.35; cows and heifers, $2.20 to $4.40, Texas steers, $2 to $4.55.

Hogs—Receipts, 6,000; market five higher, range, $4.75 to $5.45.

WHEAT AT MINNEAPOLIS.

Minneapolis, Oct. 19.—Wheat—December, 81¾c; May, 85⅛c.

Cash—On track, No. 1 hard, 84½c; No. 1 northern, 83¾c to 84c; No. 2 northern, 81¼c to 81½c.

NEW YORK GRAIN.

New York, Oct 19—Wheat—Receipts 118,000; spot easy, No. 2 red, 91⅜c at elevator and No. 2 red, 92⅝c f. o. b. and afloat. Options closed ½c to ⅝c net lower. December, 91⅞c.

Corn—Receipts, 14,000; exports, 700; spot, steady, No. 2 nominal and elevator, 61½c f. o. b. and afloat, options closed ½c to ¼c net lower. December, 51½c.

Oats—Receipts 129,000; exports 1,000. Spot, steady; mixed, 33c to 33½c; white, 34c to 35c; clipped white, 36c to 36½c.

MARKET FLOODED WITH CATTLE.

Prices Are 25 Cents Lower As a Result.

Chicago, Oct 19.—Cattle—Too many cattle have arrived this week. Today's market was worse than ever, and prices were 25c lower than at the close of last week, the best accepted. Stocker and feeder trade was fairly animated.

Hogs—The demand was active, buying being largely on the local account and prices were about the same as yesterday. Bulk of sales were made at $5.10 to $5.45.

Sheep—Offerings were well taken, trade active at generally steady prices.

GRAIN AT LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, Oct. 19.—Wheat —Spot, steady; No. 2 red western winter, 6s 6d.

Corn—Spot, steady; American mixed, 5s ¼d.

MONEY.

New York, Oct. 19.—Money on call, steady to 5½ per cent.; closing bid, 4½ per cent, offered at 1½ per cent, time loans steady, sixty days and ninety days, 5 per cent; six months, 1¾ per cent, prime paper, 5 to 5½ per cent; exchange, easy; closing strong; demand, $186.10 to $186.45; sixty days, $182.65 to $182.70.

Bar silver, 62½c.

POULTRY AND DAIRY.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—Butter—Market firm, creameries, 17½c to 21½c; dairies, 16½c to 19c.

Eggs—Market firm, 15¼c to 17¾c.

Poultry—Market steady; turkeys, 17c; chickens, 11c; springs, 10½c to 11c.

New York, Oct. 19.—Butter and eggs—Market firm and unchanged.

Poultry—Alive, quiet, chickens, 13½c; fowls, 13c; turkeys, 14c; dressed, irregular; chickens, 15c; fowls, 10c to 13½c; turkeys, 14c to 20c.

GRAIN AT ST. LOUIS.

St. Louis, Oct. 19.—Wheat—December, 85⅛c; corn, 42¼c; oats, 28c.

CORN AT PEORIA.

Peoria, Oct. 19.—Corn, No. 3, 52½c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—Rye—Cash, 69c.

Flax—93c to 99c.

Clover—$13.25.

Barley—36½c to 52c.

Timothy—March, $3.55.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—Cattle—Receipts, 10,000, market steady; beeves, $3.65 to $6.40; cows and heifers, $1.15 to $4.50; stockers and feeders, $2.10 to $4.30; Texans, $3.30 to $4.50.

Hogs —Receipts, 20,000; market steady; mixed and butchers, $4.95 to $5.55; good to choice heavy, $5.25 to $5.55, rough heavy, $4.85 to $5.10; light, $4.95 to $5.45, bulk of sales, $5.10 to $5.40.

Sheep — Receipts, 25,000, market strong; $4 to $5.30; lambs, $4.75 to $8.

Decatur Markets.

LOCAL GRAIN MARKET.

Wheat	.80c
White corn, round lots 51c; single loads	.50
Yellow corn, round lots 50c; single loads	.49c
Mixed corn, round lots 49c; single loads	.48c
White oats, round lots, 26c; single loads	.24c
Mixed oats round lots, 24c; single loads	.22c
Rye	.60c

FEED PRICES PAID TO FARMERS.

Timothy hay, per ton	$9.50 to $10.00
Oats	.26c
New corn, bu	.40c
Old corn, single loads	.52c
Clover hay	$7 to $8
Oat straw	$4 to $4.25

RETAIL PRICES.

Timothy hay, per cwt	.65c
Clover, per cwt	.55c
Straw	.30c
Oats, per bushel	.30@35c
Cracked corn, per cwt	$1.25
Old corn bu	.65c
New corn bu	.50c
Corn and oats, chops, etc., cwt	$1.25
Wheat, for feed, bushel	$1.00
Shorts, cwt	$1.10
Bran	.90c

BUTCHER STOCK.

Hogs	$4.75 to 5.25
Shipping steers	$4.00 to 5.00
Butcher steers	$3.50@4.00
Sheep	$3.50
Cows	$2.50@3.00
Calves	$4.00@5.00
Lambs	$5.00
Heifers	$2.50@3.50

POULTRY MARKET.

Hens	7½c
Old Cocks	.5c
Spring chickens (large)	7½
Gobblers	10c
Old Toms	10c
Hen Turkeys	11c
F. F. Ducks	.7c
Live Pigeons, doz	.60c
Fresh Eggs	15c
Choice Butter	14c
No. 1 Hides	.9c
Horse Hides, large	$2.75
Horse Hides, small	$2.00
Sheep Pelts	40c@80c
Tallow	.4c

MISCELLANEOUS.

Choice butter	14½c
Sheep pelts	50c to 75c
No. 1 hides	10c
Horse hides	$2.75
Horse hides, small	$2.50
Live pigeons, per dozen	.30c
Wool	28@30c

Miss Stella Riber of Mt. Zion was a Decatur visitor yesterday.

FIRST STEP IN NEW INTERURBAN

Directors Elected at Meeting Held In Sullivan Thursday Afternoon.

SEVENTY FIVE THERE

And Everyone Enthusiastic For New Project.

The initial steps for the building of an interurban road between this city and Mattoon, to be known as the Decatur, Sullivan & Mattoon Transit company, were taken at a meeting held in the club rooms at Sullivan Thursday afternoon. This project has recently been referred to in the Herald and the general outline is understood by the readers of this paper.

R. B. Starbuck, an old and experienced railroad man formerly holding the position of superintendent of the Peoria division of the Illinois Central, is the moving spirit of the undertaking. He realizes to the fullest extent the possibilities of such a line and his knowledge of railroad affairs is largely depended upon.

Enthusiastic.

At the meeting Thursday afternoon there were seventy-five men present who are likely to become interested in the project. These men came from the towns along the right of way of the proposed line and represented the business interests of each to a very great extent. There was the greatest enthusiasm for the project and there was not a man present who did not feel that the proposed interurban was not only feasible but offered a profitable investment. Only a preliminary organization was effected.

This was done by naming S. W. Wright, Jr., as the chairman of the meeting, and E. A. Stivers, of Sullivan as secretary.

Nominating Committee.

The first business was to name a nominating committee, which was done as follows, every town of importance along the line of the road being given representation.

Decatur—J. M. Clokey, T. T. Springer, J. H. Culver, Theron Powers and F. B. Tait.

Mt. Zion—George B. Spitten.

Dalton City—J. H. Uppendahl.

Bethany—A. R. Scott.

Hampton—Isaac Horn.

Sullivan—J. B. Titus, E. A. Silvers

Allen—L. C. Flemming.

Cole—R. B. Gahart.

Mattoon—R. B. Starbuck, D. B. Sternbough, John R. Hamilton.

The Directors.

The nominating committee later reported to the convention the names of the following nine gentlemen as members of the board of directors:

Decatur—J. M. Clokey, Felix B. Tait.

Bethany—A. R. Scott.

Dalton—J. H. Uppendahl.

Mt. Zion—G. B. Spitten.

Sullivan—J. B. Titus, W. A. Steele.

Mattoon—R. B. Starbuck, E. C. Craig.

Applications for a fifty-year charter will at once be made, the company to be known as the Decatur, Sullivan & Mattoon Transit Co., capital $2,500, with shares at the value of $25. The amount of the capitalization is small because it is not necessary to make it large at the inauguration of the company.

The Cost.

The estimated cost of building the road is $600,000. The promoters hope to advance the preliminaries to the extent of beginning actual building next year. It is believed by the promoters of the road that there is no field in central Illinois offering more allurements for profitable interurban business than between the two proposed terminals of the line. It is a well known fact that this territory gives to the Central an enormous local trade each year.

Mattoon Endorses It.

The Mattoon Star of Thursday morning said:

The Chamber of Commerce Wednesday night elected officers and endorsed the proposed Mattoon-Decatur interurban line.

The following officers composing the ticket nominated by a special committee were elected by acclamation:

President—M. L. O'Connor.

Vice President—George O. Cobb.

Treasurer—W. M. McKamy.

Interurban Proposition.

Alderman R. B. Starbuck, promoter of the proposed Mattoon-Decatur interurban company, outlined what had been done. He said the Decatur Chamber of Commerce had endorsed the proposition and named a committee to meet at Sullivan this afternoon to further the project by effecting the preliminaries tending towards incorporation and the making of surveys, profiles, etc. He said it was hoped to have everything in readiness for construction next spring.

Mr. Starbuck said the road could be built for $600,00 and by carrying 275 passengers daily, an 8 per cent return would be had on the investment. He stated that he had spoken to a number of leading Mattoon business men who favored the project and he desired a strong delegation to accompany him to sullivan to show where Mattoon stood in the matter. Expression was given by a number present in favor of the interurban and a resolution endorsing it was passed by the Chamber of Commerce.

THE POLITICS OF FAME.

New York World: No one need take seriously a method of listing American immortals for a "Hall of Fame" that leaves Edgar Allen Poe's name unchosen.

Lowell's and Whittier's names were selected yesterday. Either of these authors may have been a more estimable man than Poe; both would feel more complimented at being left outside a hall of fame with the greater genius than at being invited in without him.

Poe got drunk and behaved badly. As a southern man he did not and does not appeal to that superstition that sees no American literature outside of New England. Enduring fame will not be moved by such petty considerations.

Brint Jeffers has returned to his home after spending a few days at the home of J. H. Onstott

BULK OYSTERS ARE COMING

Dealers Have a Supply Coming for the Trade On Saturday.

SCARCE AND HIGH.

Apples Have Reached the Point of Luxury.

Oysters in the bulk will be on sale at the stores Saturday for the first time this season. The oysters are good ones and may be had in blue points and all the other brands Little neck clams and quohogs will also tempt the palate of the lovers of the deep sea fish. Plenty of fish will be on the market for Saturday's offering. All kinds are in stock including genuine silver herring and black bass. The herring sells for 12½c for a special Saturday.

Apples Are High.

For those who love apples, there is little in sight within reach of the moderate pocketbook. The best apples come from New York. Twenty-ounce Pippins and Orleans apples come at 60 to 70c a peck. They will be on hand all winter. Grime's Golden is another one that will come high. The usual stock of Belleflowers and others are in stock now. Greenings from New York can be bought for 50c the peck, and Kings are still higher. In the home grown line there is little to offer with the exception of Little Jenitons, which are on sale at 30c

Grapes will be lower Saturday than they have been for a long time. For Saturday's selling they will be offered at 25c a basket. Had not a carload of them just been received the price would have been 30c at the lowest

Vegetable Line

In the vegetable line there are several new ones Radishes and oyster plants come at 5c a bunch. Watergrass is the same price. Spinach can be purchased at any store for 30c a peck. Parsnips are 40c and turnips are 20c. Hubbard squashes can be found at prices ranging from 10c to 20c. Crookneck squashes come a little higher, averaging 15c each.

Colorado peaches cannot be found for less than 30c for a small basket. Michigans, it will be found, will be 50c at the lowest figure.

Keiffer pears, for canning purposes, come at $140 or 40c a peck.

The Pineapples

Florida pineapples have been received. They sell from 15 to 40c each. Cranberries are 15c a pound or two for a quarter. Pomegranates are 5c each. Chestnuts, a new arrival and pretty wormy at that, are 15c a pound.

Pure country sorghum will be on tap Saturday for the first time this year, selling at 60c a gallon. New cider will also be in stock and costs 30c a gallon.

RETAIL QUOTATIONS.

Vegetables.

Garlic—20c per lb.
Sweet potatoes—30 to 50c peck.
Cauliflower—20 to 30c head.
Summer squash—10c.
Michigan celery—30c bunch; 3 stalks 10c.
Wax beans—10c quart.
Egg plant—10 to 15c each
Green beans—10c quart.
Cucumbers, hothouse—10c each.
Tomatoes—20c basket; $1.50 bushel.
Horseradish—10c a root.
New beets—50 to 75c per bushel.
New carrots—40c peck.
Cabbage—5 to 10c per head.
Potatoes—20c peck; northern, 25c peck.
Leaf lettuce—5c a head.
Onions—25 to 40c peck.
Onions, pickling—10c quart.
Onions, Spanish—5c a pound.
Onions, dry—35c peck.
Parsley—5c bunch.
Head lettuce—10c a head.
Red peppers—5c dozen.
Green peppers—5 and 10c dozen.

Butter, Eggs, Honey

Renovated butter—25c pound.
Creamery—30c pound.
Country—25c pound.
Dunkard butter—28c pound.
Butterine, white—2 pounds 30c.
Butterine yellow—15 to 20c.
Eggs—25 to 28c dozen.
Honey, in frame—20c pound.

Fruits

Apples—30 to 75c peck.
Michigan Concord grapes—25 to 30c basket.
Oranges, Floridas—30 to 50c dozen.
Bananas—15 to 20c dozen.
Oranges, late Valencias—40 to 60c dozen.
Lemons—40 to 50c dozen.
Imported Malaga grapes, white—20c pound.
California grapes—15c pound.
Five-pound basket Delaware grapes—25c.

Poultry.

Fry chickens—35 to 60c each.
Hens—15c pound.
Baking chickens, dressed—15c pound.
Pigeons—15c each; 2 for 25c.

Fish.

Bull heads—15c pound.
Lake trout—15c pound.
Halibut—18c pound.
Salmon—18c pound.
Large buffalo—10c pound.
Clams, quohoags—25c dozen.
Clams, little necks—25c.
Fresh herring—10c pound.
Salt white fish—10c pound.
Salt mackrel—5 to 45c each.
Fresh cod steak—18c pound.
Smoked halibut—25c pound.
Pike—15c pound.
Channel cat—18c pound.
Croppies—10c pound.
Fresh salmon steak—18c pound; 2 pounds 35c.
Oysters, full quarts, Selects—50c.
Oysters, full quarts, Standards—40c.
Oysters, ¾ quarts, Standards—25c.
Oysters, ¾ quarts, Selects—35c.
Bulk oysters, Standards—40c quart.
Bulk oysters, Selects—50c quart.

Takes the Express.

H. Hoots, who has been on the Decatur street car line for the past several years, will this morning take charge of the interurban express car, running between Decatur and Springfield. He has been one of the best and most accommodating men on the line and his promotion is well merited.

Nearby Towns

RECEPTION GIVEN REV. GICHRIST

Niantic Christian Church People Greet Popular Pastor.

Niantic, Oct. 19.—A reception to Rev. Gilchrist and wife and Mrs. Nancy Hobbs, Mrs. Gilchrist's mother, was given at the Christian church tonight. An address of welcome written by Mrs. L. O. Hawk was read by Mrs. Hattie Jacobson. Light refreshments were served. Rev. Robbins and Rev. Hale came up from Illiopolis. In behalf of the congregation Rev. Robbins presented to Rev. Gilchrist a fine chair, to Mrs. Hobbs and Mrs. Gilchrist each a silver mounted silk umbrella. The occasion was most enjoyable, though sadness at parting from their former pastor was mingled with the pleasure. Mr. Gilchrist and family leave next week for Fulton, Missouri.

Rev. Haskell of Ferris, Ill., preached Monday and Tuesday evenings at the Christian church, going from here to Ladoga, Ind. He has a call to preach at Houston, Tex.

Richard Beck and wife and William Wree and family are in Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs, of Peoria, were here over Sunday with relatives.

Mrs. Blake has gone to Tryon, Okla., for the winter.

Mrs. Joseph Kitch, of Macomb, was the guest of Mrs. Mary Kitch Monday, going from here to Harold.

Friday evening's lecture, "From the Bay of Fundy to the Golden Gate," was most excellent. It was the last of a series of illustrated lectures by Rev Robbins of Harristown, whose stereopticon views of scenes in Palestine and other countries were appreciated by large crowds each evening. Friday evening's lecture was particularly entertaining.

The funeral of Richard L. Bramel at Berea or Sanders church was the most largely attended of any ever held there Relatives and friends were present from Blue Mound, Mt. Auburn, Cerbornville, Missionville, Decatur and Niantic Deceased was the son of Dorinda and Elias Bramel. He leaves, besides his parents, his wife, six brothers and three sisters.

Mrs. Emily Dingman has returned from Farmersville, where she visited Mrs. Caroline Tilley, who accompanied her home. Mrs. Dingman came home on account of illness from which she is quite feeble.

Walter Averitt's little son is quite ill at the home of Thomas Claypool.

George Marvil of Clinton is piloting a party from this place to LaMar, Mo., on a land purchasing trip.

Mat Lay is visiting with his brother, Ed., in Russell, Ark., this week.

George Smith, John Baker and John Hoose are prospecting in South Dakota this week.

William and Art Rich are in Kansas on business.

Lessie Pierce is at Stuttgart this week on business.

Clint Zoll went to western Nebraska Tuesday on business.

John Sheets was in Peoria Tuesday on business.

Emery Mosford came down from Bloomington Tuesday for a two days' visit.

Joseph E. Bell went to Rock Island Tuesday on business.

After about a month's visit in Ohio W. A. Graham returned Wednesday and reports a very pleasant time.

Mrs. Kate Smith was in Peoria Tuesday.

PRAIRIE HOME.

Prairie Home, Oct. 19.—Mrs. Lulu Beck and Mrs. May Shaffer spent Friday with friends in Moweaqua.

C. W. Taggart attended the dedication of the Christian church in Bethany Sunday.

Little Carl Carroll was severely burned last week by turning a kettle of hot water over his face.

Miss Dora Pain of Mowequa is sewing for Mrs. Lulu Beck.

Bert Wise, mother and sisters spent Saturday with Mr. E. A. Atchison's, near Findlay.

Mr. J. Brown was very sick Friday night. They called Drs. Davis and Cunningham of Bethany.

Mrs. Carpenter and son were shopping in Moweaqua Friday.

Farmers are busy husking corn. Hands are coming from the south this week; they have been very scarce here.

VOORHIES.

Voorhies, Oct. 19.—Mary Barry of Chicago spent part of last week with her parents, Peter Gray and wife.

James Elliott, who has been sick at the Wabash hospital for the past three weeks, was able to return home Thursday.

Sunday visitors: W. T. Shasteene and family at Geo. Larson's; Fred Fisher and sisters, Miss Ada Hopkins, Gussie Dyarman and Mayme Fisher, at Robt. Lamb's; Chas. Funk and family at Herb Levitte's.

Nels Larson has improved the appearance of his residence by putting a new iron fence in front of it.

Quite a number from our vicinity attended the musical in Bement Tuesday evening.

Miss Lina Weber returned to Pat Curry's the first of the week, where she will make her home the coming winter.

TAYLORVILLE.

Taylorville, Oct. 19.—Albert Cooper and Miss Della Matthews were married this evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Matthews, in North Dakota suburb.

Robert A. Barry has returned from a ten days' visit with his sister, Mrs. A. M. Doddern, at Delaware, O.

Robert S. Smith, son of Postmaster J. R. Smith, has returned from Fort Des Moines, Ia., where he was a private in Company M, 11th Cavalry. He has recently been discharged and will remain at home.

Miss Florence Goforth of Flat River, Mo., is the guest of her sister, Miss Mary Goforth.

J. L. Hill of Flint, Mich., is in town the guest of J. R. Smith.

Miss Hester Richardson has returned from a visit to Auburn friends.

Marriage licenses issued: Thomas M. Osborne, Pana, 19; Mayella Jordan, Pana, 18. Albert Cooper, Taylorville, 21; Della Matthews, Taylorville, 17.

HARRISTOWN.

Harristown, Oct. 19.—Rev. Cole, of Eureka, preached at the Christian church last Sunday morning and evening.

Alice and Laura Connelly are visiting relatives in Springfield.

Misses Lulu and Lela Eyman have left for Jacksonville, where they will study for nurses.

Mr. D. Troutman and mother of Indiana were here attending the funeral of Mrs. Henson.

Rev. Elder and wife of Pleasant Plains are here visiting their daughter, Mrs. O. P. Urmston, who is very sick.

J. N. Baer and wife of Bearsdale visited with J. W. Rotz and family last Wednesday

Quite a number of the farmers have commenced husking corn in this vicinity.

P. M. Oliver and family visited relatives in Blue Mound Sunday.

John Arnold and Ethel Morley were married at the home of Rev. Pierce last Wednesday evening, Rev. Pierce officiating.

WAYNESVILLE.

Waynesville, Oct. 19.—Howard Flayer has accepted a position on the street cars in Peoria.

Mr. and Mrs. William Payne, of Bloomington, Ind., are visiting with their daughter, Mrs. Sam Martin.

VALUABLE FARM DECATUR MAN BUYS

Thomas McGowan Invests in Property at Dalton City.

Dalton City, Oct. 19.—P. R. Grounds sold 80 acres of land last week to Thos. McGowan of Decatur, for the sum of $200 per acre. The land is close to town and is quite valuable at the present time.

Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Grounds, Robert and wife, and H. L. Groudns accompanied Land Agent John Whemhoff to look at some land and town property in Missouri.

Grandma McClure is very low at this writing. Her sons, Bud and Elmer and her daughter, Mrs. Edith Carnes, were called home Sunday. One lives at St. Louis, Mo., the other son and daughter live at Gault, Mo.

Frank Freeland and wife and daughter, who are living in Decatur, were calling on their many friends Saturday and Sunday.

The last ball game of the season was played Sunday between the Dalton Grays and Lovington Reds. The Grays came off victorious. The score was 16 to 2.

Louis Dixson, Frank Wilson, Thomas Wilson went to Lamar, Mo., Tuesday to look at the country.

Mrs. Lucas of Sullivan was called here Saturday to see her mother, who is very low with dropsy.

BEMENT.

Bement, Ill., Oct. 19.—Mr. McKinney moved his family from the Ball property to the house recently occupied by Mrs. Hancock.

Mrs. Wm. Mason returned from their western trip Tuesday.

Miss Lura Woolington is visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Alvord.

Sam Mann is on the sick list.

Cal Adams of Cerro Gordo attended the band boys' entertainment.

Miss Olive Tenney, who has been so ill is better.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas Conway was in Decatur Monday.

The minstrel given by society people under the management of Rufus K. Love Tuesday, October 17, was well rendered to a full house. Much credit is due to Mr. Love as he only drilled them one week.

Mrs. William Bradley and daughter, Eva, were shopping in Decatur Tuesday.

Mrs. Charles Adkins has the typhoid fever.

Mrs. Gus Wall and daughter, Gussie, made a business trip to Decatur Tuesday.

John Cornelius had a paralytic stroke Monday and is in a serious condition.

Miss Francis Fairbank went to Hammond to visit her sister, Mrs. Van Hook.

The Modern Woodman team went to Monticello Wednesday in a hack to assist in the initiation of several new members.

The Christian church will commence their revival meeting October 20.

Mrs. William Munson of Clinton is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Homer Shaw.

Warren Deakin returned home on Tuesday night.

Will Body had put an addition of one room to his house.

A missionary priest is holding meetings at the Catholic church of evenings and is well attended.

Miss Birdie Sterns visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sprague Tuesday evening.

W. F. Lodge of Monticello was in town Tuesday on business.

James Howard of Monticello who was stricken with a paralytic stroke Sunday, is still unconscious and is just alive. His death is hourly expected.

MISS McTLHENEY IS TO MARRY

Cards Out Announcing Coming Wedding of Kenney Girl.

Special Correspondence.

Kenney, Ill., Oct. 19.—Cards are out announcing the marriage of Mr. Vaugerpin of Hartsburg to Miss Lena McElhaney, October 25.

Mrs. Jackson returned from Decatur Monday, where she had been visiting her daughter.

Dr. Poppet of Mt. Pulaski, came Monday night on the Diamond special to see the babe of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kemp, which has been quite sick.

B. B. Ives went to Oklahoma this week to look at the country.

Mrs. Suttle was over from Decatur Monday.

The surveyors of the Illinois Central were at the pit Tuesday doing work.

Owing to the stormy weather but few delegates have come to the Sunday school convention.

Mrs. Corney Furman of 328 West King street, Decatur, is the guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. P. Orr, this week.

Mrs. James Kemp has returned from Iowa, where she had been called to see her mother Mrs. Susan Kenney, who was very sick, but has now recovered.

Kenney, Oct. 19.

FORSYTH.

Forsyth, Oct. 19.—Mr. and Mrs. Gardner reutrned to their home in Ohio, Wednesday, after a visit to V. Banton and family.

Miss Nellie Hays and T. J. Smith visited relatives in Morrisonville Saturday.

Mrs. V. T. Hays is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Shoemaker and Miss Pearl spent Sunday with Mrs. Baden at Decatur.

Roy Melhorn and John Dunn visited here Sunday.

Quincy Foster gave a dinner Sunday in honor of Misses Laura and Emma Niman, of Pennsylvania. Those present were: Mr. Jacob Koher and Daughter Nellie, Mrs. George Melhorn and daughter Viola, Zask Melhorn and wife, John Melhorn and wife, of Decatur, and Will Melhorn and wife and daughter Mildred, of Assumption.

Mrs. Lee Hayes was a Decatur visitor Monday.

Mrs. Thrift has moved into the Rule property.

Talmage Funk is visiting his mother.

George Glosser, Mr. Buttler and Jake Lehman were Decatur visitors Wednesday.

Mr. Weaver is compelled to close up his tent hotel on account of the damp weather, which is too hard on his wife, who has been ailing for some time.

PYTHIANS HAVE LEFT DECATUR

Installation of Grand Officers the Closing Event of Public Interest.

THE HOME PROJECT

Committee Membership Increased by Adding Officers.

The grand lodge Knights of Pythias which has been in session in Decatur closed Thursday afternoon. The meeting was a successful one in every way and the attendance was large. The weather was bad for the members of the Uniform Rank who attempted to camp at the race track, but otherwise they were well entertained in Decatur.

The principal business at the closing session in the afternoon was the installation of the officers who were elected Wednesday. Most of the delegates left for their homes during the afternoon and night.

Committee Enlarged.

The committee on the location of the Pythian home which was appointed by the old grand chancellor commander Wednesday, was reorganized. Some of the friends of the newly elected grand chancellor commander thought that he ought to have the right to appoint the committee. A compromise was reached by adding to the committee the newly elected grand officers and making the new grand chancellor commander the chairman of the committee.

Meet at Chicago.

It was decided that the next meeting of the grand lodge should be at Chicago, an invitation having been extended by that city.

Other Business.

The grand chancellor commander asked that $1,200 be appropriated for deputy work among lodges needing help, and for new lodges.

The budget committee presented reports for the expenditure of from $13,000 to $15,000.

It has not yet been decided when the first meeting of the Pythian home committee will be held. The committee will be called together by the chairman.

The business of the grand temple of the Rathbone Sisters was finished Thursday morning. The new officers which were elected were installed and the law committee made a report.

Among other things done during the three days' session the grand temple decided to furnish a new outfit for the temple at Sidney, where all of the properties were destroyed by fire.

Many of the members left for their homes Thursday morning and all had gone before evening.

Surprised.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dennis were the victims of a pleasant surprise last night at their home on East Condit street, the result of a carefully planned and well executed plot arranged by a large number of their friends. There were about twenty couples in the crowd. They met at the home of of James Charnock on North Water street and marched in on the unsuspecting couple without ceremony. The surprise was all that could be hoped for.

After the excitement of the earlier stages had worn away, all made themselves at home and spent a delightful evening at various kinds of amusement. Dainty refreshments were served. Mr. and Mrs. Dennis have been married but a short time and this occasion was in the nature of an "aftermath reception." They were the recipients of a handsome large lamp, presented by the guests.

Farmers Column

WANTED—BOOKKEEPER—YOUNG MAN, MUST be capable, accurate and rapid. One who wants to work and willing to do the work of two men if required. Reference required. Address M. O. R., care Herald.

YOU CAN BORROW ANY AMOUNT.
$10 We loan money on
$20 Furniture, pianos, horses carriages,
$30 Goods in storage, warehouse receipts,
$50 Cattle, wagons, grain in the crib,
$75 Growing crops, watches, diamonds,
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$100 Any security, no publicity.
$150 ALSO WE BUY NOTES. Easy terms.
$200 Oldest loan office in Decatur.
$250 A. T. SUMMERS & SON, 110 Water St.
$500 Next to the Millikin bank.

FOR RENT—170-ACRE FARM 1½ MILE EAST of Clokey's addition. 64 acres in meadow and pasture. About 13 acres in Orchard and lots. Balance in cultivation. Good house, 9-rooms, plenty of barn room. Never failing water. A splendid dairy farm. Terms $500.00 in cash for grass land and lots—½ of grain delivered in Decatur. Call at office of E. G. Allen, 223 N. Main street. J. M. RACE.

FOR SALE—CHOICE RECORDED CHESTER White and Poland China hogs, both sexes, and two one-year-old Chester White male boars, P. Rock Cockerel. Farm seven miles north of Decatur, Ill. W. A. Hinkle.

GOOD FARMS FOR RENT—THREE 240-ACRE farms in Elk County, Kansas, 65 miles this side of Wichita, with good improvements. These farms adjoin school house across road from one of them, 100 to 130 acres in cultivation on each farm, balance of land in pasture and meadow.

One 520 acre adjoining, 100 acres in cultivation, balance in pasture and meadow. This is a splendid stock farm with never-failing water, with good improvements. I want $0.75 per acre for grass land and two-fifths of corn in shock.

Call at the office of E. G. Allen, 223 N. Main street, Decatur, Ill., from 1 to 2 p. m. any day. J. R. RACE.

PUBLIC SALE—HORSES, COWS, STEERS, HOGS, and implements of Whitley farm, 3½ miles south of Harristown, Nov. 8, 1905. PEGRAM & HOSTETLER.

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STATE AND NATION DAY AT CHAMPAIGN

Salutes Fired For Dignitaries Attending the Inaugural Exercises.

ADDRESS BY A. S. DRAPER

Discusses Features That Distinguish the Universities In America.

Champaign, Ill., Oct. 17.—Today was state-national day in the exercises attending the installation of President Edmund James, University of Illinois.

The university military regiment assembled this afternoon and fired a salute of thirteen guns in honor of Major General John F. Weston, representing the United States war department. General Weston afterwards reviewed the university regiment, accompanied by Lieutenant Colonel Kline of the Illinois National Guard. After the parade the people went to the armory, where the exercises were held. Speaker Cannon of the national house of representatives presided. A salute of seventeen guns were fired in the speaker's honor.

Weston's address was on military training of the citizen soldiery. Kline made a short address. Mayor Parr, of Joliet, addressed the relation of the university to the locality. Lieutenant Governor Sherman's speech brought forth applause when he severely arraigned school methods employed in Illinois during its history.

Many persons went to the university chapel to attend the first session of national conference of college and university trustees. The address of Andrew Sloan Draper, commissioner of education of New York, was a feature of the conference.

A. S. Draper's Address.

Mr. Draper, L. L. D., commissioner of education of New York, said in part:

"There are at least four features which distinguish university work in America and exercise a decisive influence upon the work of government in American universities.

"The first grows out of the universal democracy of the country and the common ambitions of the people. Everyone who shares in the spirit of the country wants to go to the top and continually hears that he may if he will seize his opportunities. He has no thought of following his father's work unless, as is quite improbable, it is in line with his special ambitions. The need of the best training is now everywhere recognized. The secondary schools have become part of the common school system and every teacher in high school or academy leads his students very near to the point of thinking that they will lose their chance of life and even be discredited if they do not advance to college or university. The university life is now especially attractive to the young and they want a share in the pleasure and enthusiasm of it. This brings to the other days never went to college; who in other lands wouldn't go now. Many of these must be both led and pushed.

Has Changed.

"Then the common thought about liberal education has changed. It is no longer only classical, culturing, disciplinary; it must prepare students not only for the multiplying professions, but for the multiplying industries. It trains one for work which may distinguish him. Cultivated aimlessness is no longer the accepted ideal of American scholarship. Culture which is not the product of work, either mental or manual, with some definite point to it, is held to be at second hand only skin deep, and not to be taken seriously. It must not be said that mere strength and steadiness in holding down a job are the marks of an educated man. There must be native resourcefulness and versatility, sound training and serious study, discrimination in means and methods, and rational application to real things in life in ways that bring results of distinct worth to the world. It makes little difference what one does, but he must do something. The all important fact is not that real learning may now be found in all business thought that is important, but that one must do something of recognized value to be held a scholar. It may be not only in letters, or science, or law, or medicine or theology, but it may also be in administration, in planning and constructing, in mechanics, in agriculture, in banking, in public service, in anything else worth while.

"If one's power of observation, of investigation, of expression and of accomplishment, lead him to do something of real concern, to do it completely and quite as well as, or better than, others can do it, and impel him to open up new vistas and methods of doing other things of larger moment, he had a better right to be held an educated man than he who incubates the unattainable and brings forth nothing. And not only have educational values changed, but educational instrumentalities have changed. Books and academic discussions have their part, but in many directions it is now a minor part. Things are taught and learned, new insight and the power to do are gained, through actual doing. And not only is the training through doing rather than through reading and talking but the opportunity of selection extends to every subject and every study. It requires buildings and equipment and teachers never before within the means of an institution. It has revolutionized the scope, the possessions, the plans and methods, the offerings and the outlook of the universities. While this is coming to be true in a measure in other countries, the unconventional freedom, the industrial aggressiveness, and the unparalled volume of money going into university operations in this country have given us the leadership of a world movement in higher education.

The Revenues.

Again, university revenues come from men who have done things and want other things done. It is exclusively so in the private institutions, and the people and their representatives who vote appropriations to the state universities have no other thought. While few are so short-sighted as to be opposed to a balanced and harmonious university evolution, still money is provided more freely for the kinds of instruction in which the providers are most interested. This, of course, gives shape and trend to the development. But it does more: It creates the need of teachers not heretofore adequately prepared or not prepared in adequate numbers. The need of general oversight and close administration. Even more, when teachers are not supported by student fees, but are paid from the university treasury without reference to the number of students they have or very sharp discrimination about the quality of work they do, there is no automatic way of getting rid of the teachers who do not teach or of investigators who do not produce. Some competent and protected authority must accomplish this and continually reinforce the teaching staff with virile men. The competition between institutions rather than between men, and the natural reluctance at deposing a teacher, are producing pathetic situations at different points in many American universities and are likely to become the occasion of more weakness in our university system than has been widely realized.

Sentiment Does Not.

Yet again, the sentiment of this country does not agree, and doubtless will never again agree, that American universities shall stand for mere "scholarships" without reference to character, or that boys shall be allowed to go to the devil without hindrance for the lack of university leadership or to accommodate administrative cowardice or convenience. Students will have to be controlled and guided in this country, and American universities will have to have leaders who are leaders of moral as well as of learning and who will stir the common sense and use the common sentiment through the authoritative word spoken in the crowd.

One may lament that our universities are not copied upon German or English models; that overwhelming numbers of students are going to them; that all who go are not serious students; that we are moving in new educational directions; that our professors are not made to live on fees; and that there is neither a care for superficial culture without much regard for true scholarship, nor a vaunting of mere scholarship without reference to moral character. The labor is lost. These things are so; they are right because they are so; because they are the outgrowth of the compounding of a great new nation in the world and because they are the logical outworkings of a marvelous advance in the thinking of men who are free to do some thinking for themselves.

It is hardly worth while to be troubled because we can not see the road beyond the turns that are ahead. There is a road beyond the turns, or one will be made.

Not a Corporation.

The university can not become a business corporation with a business corporation's ordinary implications. Such a corporation is without what is being called spiritual aim.—is without moral methods. Universities are to unlock the truth and turn out the best and the greatest men and women; business corporations are mainly to make money. If this is a harsh characterization, it can not be denied that it has been earned by the great business corporations with which the great universities must be compared if they are to be compared with any. A university can not become such a corporation without ceasing to be a university.

The distinguishing ear marks of an American university are its moral purpose, its scientific aim, its unselfish public service,, its inspiration to all men in all noble things, and its incorruptibility by commercialism. But there is no reason why sane and essential business methods should not be applied to the management of its business affairs. It is a business concern as well as a moral and intellectual instrumentality and if business methods are not applied to its management it will break down. If they are not to be employed, the university, with its vast accumulation of material and men, must be a mistake or, worse yet, a wrong. It is neither a mistake nor a wrong or it would not be here. It is neither an accident nor an impulse. It is a growth the deliberate product of conditions, of means and of thought. It is a greatcombination of material resources and moral forces essential to modern competitions, the needed inspiration of all factors in the population for large areas of territory, and its usefulness depends upon giving the management both moral sense and worldly knowledge.

LAST APPEAL FOR HOCH

Final Arrangements Completed Before the Illinois Supreme Court.

ON TECHNICAL POINTS.

Springfield, Ill., Oct. 17.—Arguments in the Johan Hoch murder case were completed before the supreme court today.

The arguments on behalf of Hoch were principally that no sentence can be passed except on judgment on the verdict, and that in this case the court had rendered no judgment on the verdict; that Mrs. Amelia Fischer-Hoch was allowed to testify against her husband, when proof of Hoch's marriage with her carried with it the presumption that all former marriage relations had been terminated by death or divorce; that there was insufficient evidence to overcome the presumption that marriage to Mrs. Fischer was legal.

Assistant State's Attorney Olson confined himself to reciting evidence in the case.

GIRL HEROINE GONE.

Railroad Officials Seeking Young Woman Who Saved Train.

Milwaukee, Wis., Oct. 17.—Milwaukee officials of the St. Paul road are seeking 16-year-old Hattie Lantz, who signaled a freight train carrying ten men and valuable freight a mile and a half west of Janesville in time to save it from going through a burned bridge.

The girl gave the regulation signal after waiting an hour for the expected train and then ran away after giving her name. The train was a special from Janesville to Mineral Point and was making fast time with first-class freight.

Released British Officers.

London, Oct. 17.—The correspondence of the Mail at Madrid says that fearing an attack by a British torpedo boat, bandits of the Anjorn tribes released the two British officers, Captain Crowther and Lieut. Hatton, who have arrived at Ceuta.

AMERICAN GIRLS SOLD TO CHINESE

Chicago Dealer Delivers Victims in Shanghai Through Woman Confederate.

GOVERNMENT IS TO ACT

Immigration Bureau Hears Complaint of the Sale of Louise Miller.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 17.—Forty-nine American girls from Chicago have been sold into life slavery in Chinese harems. Most of the white slaves delivered into the hands of Chinese masters are lost to civilization and can hope for no escape from their bondage save by suicide.

They are helpless prisoners in Chinese interior towns subject to the whims of Mandorins and wealthy Chinamen who were enabled to purchase them through connivance with a woman whose identity is well known to the government authorities.

The dealer who delivered the girls into their slavery resides in Chicago and has a woman confederate in Shanghai, China, who is also known to the government secret service agents.

These astounding facts were disclosed today by the local immigration bureau, which received complaint of the sale of Louise Miller a girl from Montreal, Canada, to the agent of a Chinese official in Shanghai.

Lured To a Resort.

Other evidence obtained indicates that three waitresses who were induced to come to Chicago in February, 1901, from Montreal, may have met the same fate. These girls were employed in the hotel De Ville, Montreal, two French women, stopping at the same hotel as guests, engaged the girls to come to Chicago and lured them to a resort.

The names of the four young women that have disappeared from homes in Chicago and other American cities and were shipped to Shanghai are in the possession of Inspector K. W. Burst of the Chinese Immigration Bureau.

American Consul James L Rodgers at Shanghai has enlisted the co-operation of English and Chinese authorities in that city, and evidence of many sales of American and Canadian girls to Chinese masters has been procured.

Hilda P. Ederson, aged 20, of Chicago, committed suicide on arrival at Shanghai in order to escape the fate of being a slave to a Chinese master.

The fixed price for Chinese girl slaves at Shanghai is from $250 to $400. The price paid by the Chinese men for the American girls betrayed into their hands by the two women engaged in the traffic varies from $500 to $1,000 a piece.

It is possible demands for the liberation of the young women by the American consul may make the affair international. The British consul is cooperating with Mr. Rodgers in his efforts to procure the liberty of the girls.

A WEDDING AT SIDNEY

Miss Alice M, Sister of W. H. Black, to Marry George F. Arps.

CEREMONY AT 10 A. M.

W. H. Black and wife left last night for Sidney, where they will attend the wedding of the former's sister, Miss Alice M. Black, of Champaign, to George F. Arps, of that city. The ceremony will take place at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. E. Armstrong, in Sidney at 10:30 o'clock this morning.

The young couple will leave immediately for Europe, where they will take a bridal tour, after which Mr. Arps will enter into a course in sychology.

Miss Black is a graduate of the University of Illinois and has been conferred with the degrees of A. M. and Ph. D. She is prominent in the society life of the universtiy. Mr. Arps is also a college graduate, having received a degree from the Leland Stanford university in California. He also has taken a post-graduate course in the University of Indiana at Bloomington, Ind.

THE DEATH RECORD.

Mrs. Alicia Sprinkle.

Mrs. Alicia Sprinkle died at 2:30 a. m. Tuesday at the home of her daughter, Mrs Harry I. Spayd, 146 East Marietta street, after a brief illness. The immediate cause of her death was acute diabetes. She is survived by an aged father, D. W. Bourland of Effingham; her sister, Mrs. A. W. Lidey, also of Effingham, and one daughter, Mrs. Spayd, with whom she has made her home of late.

She was born June 25, 1857. At the age of 21 years she joined the Presbyterian church and has since remained a zealous and devoted worker in church affairs. Her husband, Michael J. Sprinkle, died about twelve years ago in Rico, Colo., where they had lived for some time prior to his death. An only son died in infancy.

Mrs. Sprinkle was well known to a large number of friends and was always favorably thought of.

Funeral arrangements are not complete. The announcement will be made later.

Small Loss In Army Property.

Washington, Oct. 17.—In a report to the secretary of war for the last fiscal year Commissary General Weston points out that the losses of stores and property for use of army has been remarkably small. The loss in the United States was only .49 of one per cent and in the Philippines 3.29 per cent. The total amount lost was $87,946.

THE BAPTISTS IN SESSION AT JOLIET

Officers Elected and Addresses Made On Opening Day.

Joliet, Ill., Oct. 17.—Election of officers, addresses, discussions and a banquet occupied the delegates to the Illinois Baptist Universities convention today. H. R. Chissold, of Morgan Park, was elected president of the general association. A. J. Scroggin, Lexington; Rev. J. E. Thomas, Atlanta, first and second vice presidents; Rev. H. E. Branch, Taylorville, Rev. L. C. Trent, Lincoln, first and second secretaries; A. H. Channon, Quincy, treasurer. Addresses were delivered by Dr. H. W. Reed, of Rock Island; Rev. Adam Fawcett, East St. Louis, and Rev. George E. Burlingame, Chicago.

MARE ISLAND COURT MARTIAL.

Reports Showed That Bennington Boilers Were Bad

Mare Island, Cal, Oct 17.—At today's session of the Young court martial Lieutenant Commander Bartlett made several minor changes in his previous testimony, and the defense closed its examination of witnesses

Bartlett was then briefly cross-examined, after which he took his place as associate cousel for the prosecution

Ensign Charles Wade testified that on the afternoon of the explosion he went to the engine room and found the main auxiliary stops of boiler B closed Witness had made an adverse report on all boilers before the explosion In his **steam log** he had, in his first quarterly report, reported them fair, in the second good, and in the last poor

JUDGE WILL SEE ABOUT IT

Stein Habeas Corpus Case Taken Under Advisement For Later Decision.

ANOTHER COAL CASE.

Action of Laschinski Family For Damage Is Up.

In the circuit court yesterday the habeas corpus case of George W. Stein vs Ada Stein was finished. Judge Johns did not at once render his decision. He told the attorneys that he would take the matter under advisement and would give his decision later on.

At the conclusion of this case another of the actions against the Decatur Coal company was taken up and a jury secured. The attorneys made their opening statements, which were very brief, and the court then adjourned until this morning. Before doing so the judge told the jurymen not to talk with anyone regarding the case on trial nor to allow any one to talk to them. In case persons persisted in talking to them of the matter he asked that their names be reported to him this morning.

The following orders were entered on the dockets:

Law Docket.

Bertha Laschinski, adm., etc., vs. The Decatur Coal Co., trespass on the case. Demurrer to third count sustained and leave to amend by noon. Demurrer to amended third count overruled and plea of general issue to stand to amended third count. Trial by jury. The jurors hearing the evidence are: S. McCollum, Walker Smith, W. B. McDaniel, Geo. W. Robbins, W. H. Elwood, Henry Dawson, E. E. Davidson, Zelph Hitt, H. P. Thrift, Levi Sweeney, S. R. Moore, John W. Pierce.

The plaintiffs are represented by A. G. Webber and C. M. Borchers and the defendant by Crea and Housum.

George W. Stein vs. Ada Stein; habeas corpus. Case taken under advisement.

IMPORTANT RULING ON SUICIDE CLAUSE

Ohio Court Holds That the Policy Must Be Paid.

Columbus, Ohio, Oct. 17.—An important ruling affecting the suicide clause in a policy issued by a fraternal insurance organization was made by the supreme court today in the case of the Ancient Order of United Workmen vs. William Herwig, executor of William J. Herwig, of the Youngstown lodge of the order, who committed suicide within two years after taking out a two thousand dollar policy. The order refused to pay, but William Herwig sued, claiming the deceased committed suicide while in a delirium of disease. The executor won in the lower court and this decision is now affirmed by the supreme court.

LIGHTNING KILLS CHILDREN.

Home of William Chictchok at Montello, Wis., Struck.

Montello, Wis., Oct. 17.—The house of William Chictchok, five miles north of here, was struck by lightning last night and one daughter, 18 years old, killed, and another, 16 years, fatally injured while sleeping. Other members of the family escaped. There was no fire.

BOXING IN CHICAGO GETS BODY BLOW

Chief of Police Collins Puts a Ban On the Professionals.

Chicago, Oct. 17.—Boxing matches were placed under a ban tonight by Chief of Police Collins. He announced that professional prize fighters and boxers will not hereafter be allowed to take part in contests in this city. Matches will be allowed only when the participants are actual members of reputable clubs. This decision will stop boxing contests here.

Bennett-West.

Samuel Bennett and Miss Lena West of Argenta came to the city yesterday and were married by Judge Smith at his office in the court house.

Plague Breaks Out Afresh.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 17.—Bubonic plague has again appeared on line of the Trans-Siberian railroad, which from now on will be crowded with returning troops.

M'CURDY ON THE WITNESS STAND

President of Mutual Life Insurance Company Was Reluctant.

MAINTAINED PRESS BUREAU

And Hired Lawyers to Educate the Minds of State Legislators.

New York, Oct. 17.—Testimony in the insurance investigation, which was resumed today was most exciting throughout the entire day, and only the repeated threats of Senator Armstrong chairman of the committee, to clear the room prevented a violent demonstration of disapprobation; of a witness, who was Richard A. McCurdy, president of the Mutual Life Insurance company.

As it was, however, there were jeers at several periods of the day's testimony. These came when Hughes, counsel for the committee, asked questions that McCurdy was reluctant to answer, or evaded, and were made by the crowd that stood at the back of the room.

Press Bureau.

In McCurdy's testimony today a feature entirely new was disclosed, and this was that the Mutual Life employed a literary bureau to send out to the press of country news matter that was of benefit to the company.

This information elicited during the probing of "legal expenses," account. Two items of $2,500 each were shown, payments being made to Joseph Howard, Jr., who McCurdy said was a newspaper correspondent who syndicated news stories.

Short Dividends.

During the earlier session of the day an attempt was made to obtain from McCurdy, a reason for reducing the dividends on policies as business increased and as assets piled up. The question was prompted by a large number of letters received from policyholders by the committee and cited facts and examples. These letters came from all over the country. Hughes explained, but he read a number from policyholders who lived in the city. Examples cited were principally on policies of ten-payment life plan. One in particular for $3,000 that in 1876 drew a dividend of $55.76 had been gradually cut until in 1904 it received only $3. The writer inclosed tables and statements from the company's reports and said that this was in face of the reserve increasing year after year.

Would Furnish Witness.

To all questions on this matter the witness said he was not fortified with the information required; that these were actuarial matters; and, when pressed for his opinion, replied that he refused to discuss the question or to enter any discussion. He would proffer a witness, his actuary, whose business it was to know these things, but as for himself he would not discuss the question." McCurdy's demeanor was so insistent, and at times defiant, that the spectators bent forward to catch every word and stood on tip toe, expecting every moment to hear him directed by council to answer the question. His proffer of another witness was all that prevented steps being taken toward his indictment.

An Old Joke.

After taking up questions of reduction of dividends Hughes read a long list of policy numbers with amouhts of the face of the policy, what had been paid in, and dividends received by policy holders. Asked what he had to say to these, McCurdy said. "figures don't lie, but liars can figure." He then hastily explained that he meant that facetiously and that he would be glad to verify the figures. The only explanation for a specific instance of reduction of dividends McCurday gave was that he supposed the policy holder had a reduced rate policy.

Various items of expense were gone into, among them one of ten thousand dollars, paid Thomas H. Bowles, formerly the company's general agent at Milwaukee, who had been dismissed and who had sued the company. McCurdy said Bowles, after having lost his agency, agitated a policy holders' crusade against the company, and his suit was settled to end the agitation. McCurdy was still on the stand when the committee adjourned for the day.

During the examination into the expenses today Hughes showed McCurdy a voucher for payment of $5,000 to William A. Fricke, formerly insurance commissioner of Wisconsin, and letter from Charlton T. Lewis, an attorney of Madison, Wis., The letter stated that Fricke would acept a retainer "to see that the interests of the Mutual Life should come to no harm," in that state. McCurdy approved the voucher but could not remember the details.

Legislative Educator.

Mr. McCurdy said:

"Lewis told me he had spent one winter in educating the mind of legislators of Michigan, Wisconsin and Ohio with regard to certain legislation affecting insurance companies.

"He went to Washington and spent some weeks getting acquainted with the senators and congressmen from that state. He got on friendly footing with them so that he might speak to them of the damage legislation would do insurance business and got letters from them back to the legislators in state assembly. For this he received $5,000 for his own services and expenses for traveling and employing men, but not one dollar except for legislative purposes."

President's Visit to New Orleans the Occasion of Rejoicing.

New Orleans, Oct. 17.—Only six new cases and one death is the fever record for today. Evidence that the marine hospital authorities believe the extinction of yellow fever in New Orleans to be matter of only a short time was given today when it was announced no further patients would be received for treatment in the emergency hospital.

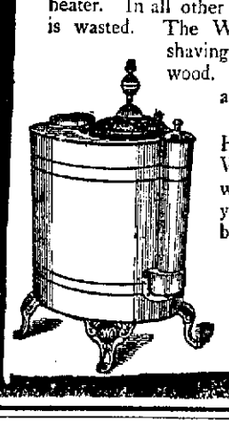
Preparations have practically been completed for the president's visit, which is to take the form of jubilation over the success of the fight of the fever.

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CHINESE ON THE WANE

But the Little Japs Are Coming In a Perfect Flood.

INTERESTING REPORT.

Worcester, Mass., Oct. 18.—The annual report of the executive committee read before the American missionary association, declares that while the number of Chinese on the Pacific slope is steadily decreasing, the Japanese are pouring in like a flood.

The financial statement shows the debt on September 30 last, was $89,-254. The amount available for work for the curent year is $92,384. The treasurer reported for the year receipts at $481,426, and expenditures of $363,509.

The Daniel Hand educational fund for colored people amounted September 30, 1905, to $1,415,839.

RATHBONE SISTERS ARE IN SESSION

Open Yesterday Afternoon With the Regular Routine Business.

ELECTION IS TODAY.

Some Feelings Prevail Relative to Results.

There are about 200 delegates in the city to attend the meeting of the grand temple, Rathbone Sisters, and they are also having one of the most interesting sessions in the history of their order. Their first meeting was called for yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, but nothing was done other than to comply with the forms of the order and that was to report at 10 a. m. Then they adjourned in order to take part in the parade.

The first secret session was called to order in the afternoon at 2 o'clock by Mrs. Helen Baxter, grand chief. Like the grand lodge meeting of the Knights of Pythias, their work for the afternoon consisted in the main of routine business, such as listening to the reports of the various committees, etc.

The report of Mistress of Finance Mrs. Carrie Root, of Gardner, was read before the meeting and showed the order to be in very flourishing circumstances.

All of the grand officers were present during the afternoon and evening with the exception of Mrs. Leona Roush, of Mequon, sitting past grand chief. She was feeling somewhat indisposed yesterday and remained in her rooms at the hotel.

The past chief's degree was conferred upon seventy-nine members at the afternoon session.

Last night the ritualistic work of the order was exemplified by the district deputies, assisted by the degree staff of Puritan Temple No. 31, of Mattoon. After the work had been disposed of, the Purity degree staff gave an exhibition drill and it was one of the prettiest ever seen among degree staffs of the grand temple. The ladies showed the effect of their teaching, displaying the knowledge and ability of their instructor. The applause which followed their drill was well merited.

This morning will occur the annual election of officers. The principal contest will be for the offices of grand chief and grand representative. Mrs. Helen Baxter, of Peoria, is present grand chief and as she has served during the past two years she will retire in favor of someone else this morning. There is said to be some little feeling among the ladies regarding today's election and some heated discussions are looked for. There seems to be no little politics mixed up in the affray and different factions are said to be working hard to elect their favorites to the coveted seats. At present there are two candidates to the office of grand chief. They are Mrs. [illegible] Kewley, of Chicago, present grand senior, and Mrs. Elizabeth P. [illegible] also of Chicago, present grand [illegible]. On the result of the election to the grand chief's chair lies the [illegible] other offices and altogether [illegible] spirited election is looked for by everybody.

A fact of more than [illegible] interest connected with the session of the grand temple of Illinois is that just [illegible] years ago this body was organized at Decatur and started with eight temples. Mrs. Jennie Haws of Decatur was the first grand chief [illegible] tending the present session of the order. There are now over [illegible] in the state with a membership of over 11,000. The Rathbone Sisters itself seventeen years old. There are over 100,000 members in the United States. That was the figure two years ago, so of course it is only reasonable to suppose that it is much larger at the present time.

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WEDDING WAR

Marriage of Vada Ritc Stoddar

EVENT O

Three Hundr ness the

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The two hundred of the breakfast w tables forming a that of the bride. seated at once. of :

Fruit c Fried Chicken. Green peas in case

Pocketb Celery, Oli Orange i Combin Ice cream,

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WEDDING AT WARRENSBURG

Marriage of Miss Vonna Vada Ritchie to Deloss Stoddard Brown.

EVENT OF SEASON.

Three Hundred Guests Witness the Ceremony.

The marriage of Miss Vonna Vada Ritchie and Deloss Stoddard Brown, Jr., of Peoria, took place Tuesday morning at the bride's beautiful country home, Walnut Lawn, near Warrensburg. There was a great elaborateness of detail in the arrangements of the occasion. Three hundred invitations were issued. It was the most important wedding that has taken place in the vicinity of Warrensburg for several years, both because of the number of invited guests and because of the social prominence of the couple.

It being a chrysanthemum wedding, the use of that flower was extensive, especially was this true of the large bank at the side of the house in which the wedding breakfast was served. The colors of chrysanthemums were old pink, yellow and white. Wild smilax was also used effectively as a decoration.

The Ceremony.

The ceremony was performed in the Methodist church at Warrensburg at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning. Rev. R. B. Pierce of Harristown, assisted by Rev. William Landis of Warrensburg, was the officiating clergyman. The Rev. Mr. Pierce was until recently pastor of the church at Warrensburg. Rev. Mr. Landis is the present pastor.

As Miss Grace Thompson played Mendelssohn's wedding march the bride, leaning on the arm of her father, and preceded by six bridesmaids and the maid of honor, moved slowly up the aisle to the altar. There she was met by the groom, his best man and the ushers. The ring ceremony was then performed by the Rev. Mr. Pierce. After the party left the church the organist played Lohengrin's "Bridal Chorus."

The Gowns.

The gown worn by the bride was elegantly tailored of white satin messaline trimmed in Irish point lace and had long train, with high neck. A tulle bridal veil swept the ground. She carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley. A half wreath of Golden Gate roses was worn in her hair. The only ornament was a brooch of pearls and diamonds made in the shape of a bird in paradise, a gift from the groom.

Miss Bonnie Funk of Decatur, the maid of honor, was attired in an ornate crepe de chine gown with hat to match. She also wore a scarf and muff of yellow chrysanthemums.

The six bridesmaids were Misses Juliette Smith, Grace Kellogg and Ina Procter of Peoria, Caroline White, Edna Albert of Warrensburg, and Miss Georgia Rider of Pekin. All were gowned in pink crepe with hats to match and carried white parasols. At the top of each parasol was fixed a large rosebud.

The bride's mother wore a beautiful gown of amethyst aeolian cloth trimmed in Irish point lace.

Mr. S. Norman of Warrensburg, acted as best man to the groom. The ushers were Kirby Stahl of Decatur and Robert Willard Mosher, Grant M. Mills and Clarke Vance of Peoria.

The Church Decorations.

Green and white were the colors used in the church decorations. As the church is in the course of remodeling, the altar had not been replaced. To prevent this inconvenience a bank of ferns was arranged and in front of this the ceremony was performed. The altar was entirely concealed behind an immense bank of palms, ferns of wild smilax were arched over the windows and doors. Ropes of smilax ribbon were stretched along the aisles on both aisles after the guests were all seated. At the end of each pew a bunch of white chrysanthemums tied with a bow of two and a half yards of white ribbon, was placed. Carpet was laid for the bridal party from the door of the church to the carriages. The carriages from Decatur were used in conveying the bridal party.

Received At Bride's Home.

Soon after lately following the ceremony at the church, the guests proceeded to the home of the bride, Walnut Lawn, where a reception was tendered the bridal party. Those in the receiving line were the parents of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Ritchie, and Mr. and Mrs. Deloss Stoddard Brown, Sr., of Peoria, the bride and groom, maid of honor, best man and Mrs. Catherine Funk, grandmother of the bride.

White smilax constituted the principal decoration in the house. This was used over the windows and doors, on the mantels and about the chandeliers. Growing palms filled the entire space in the bay window. Vases of cut flowers, white and pink roses and carnations were set on the mantels.

At the noon hour a wedding breakfast was served. This was prepared by E. C. Theilig of Peoria, who catered and was served in four courses in a dining tent. This tent was some forty feet square and was simply a mass of smilax, which formed a canopy overhead and hung part way down the sides. Several hundred chrysanthemums of the three prevailing colors were strewn throughout the mass of smilax. The bride's table, which was twelve feet square, was built around the center pole, which was also covered with wild smilax.

Seated at the bride's table were bride and groom, maid of honor, best man, six bridesmaids, six ushers, Mr. and Mrs. William Ritchie father and mother of the bride; Mr. and Mrs. Deloss S. Brown, Sr., father and mother of the groom; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lang of Peoria, the latter a sister of the groom; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Turnbull of Peoria, the latter a sister of the groom; Rev. R. E. Pierce and wife of Harristown, Mrs. Catherine Funk, grandmother of the bride, and Miss Gertrude Thompson, who played the wedding march.

The two hundred guests who partook of the breakfast were seated at other tables forming a hollow square about that of the bride. All the guests were seated at once. The menu consisted of :

Fruit cocktail,
Fried Chicken. Creamed Potatoes,
Green peas in cases,
Scalloped oysters,
Pocketbook rolls,
Celery, Olives, Pickles,
Orange ice. Cakes.
Combination salad,
Ice cream, Salted almonds,

The ice cream was molded into the form of chrysanthemums, in three colors, pink, yellow and white.

Tour the East.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown left at 2:30 o'clock for Washington and other eastern points of interest. After a visit of two weeks they will return to Peoria where they will live at the home of the groom's parents, 806 Glen Oak avenue, Peoria. They will be at home to their friends there after November 15. They expect to occupy the home that was presented to them by the father of the bride about March 1. This is at 99 Barker avenue.

The bride's traveling gown was of Alice blue cloth with a hat to match.

Costly Gifts.

The bride received many expensive and beautiful gifts, the largest of which was the new house costing $15,000, a present from the father of the bride. From Mrs. Funk, her grandmother, she received a beautiful chest of silver containing over a hundred pieces. Mr. and Mrs. Brown, Sr., presented her with a sherbet set of cut glass ornamented with gold and a gold clock. There were many other pieces of cut glass, several Persian rugs, a beautiful electric lamp and many other varieties.

The Couple.

Miss Ritchie is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Ritchie of Warrensburg and is a handsome and charming young lady. She graduated a year ago from the Bradley Polytechnic school of Peoria with high honors. She took a scientific course.

Mr. Brown is in the real estate business in Peoria. He is also interested in the music house of Brown, Page and Hillman, being manager of the store. His father is also largely interested in this business.

WALTER MILLS TO WED

Bride is Miss Martha Sutherland Nicholl of Lincoln, Illinois.

OCTOBER 27 THE DATE.

Invitations are out for the wedding of Walter Herbert Mills of this city and Miss Martha Sutherland Nicholl of Lincoln. The ceremony will take place at Delavan Friday, October 27.

The invitations are being issued by Rev. and Mrs. Augustus Stover of Delavan, Mrs. Stover being an aunt of Miss Nicholl. The wedding will be held in the Methodist church in Delavan after which a wedding supper will be served in Hall's building at that place.

Mr. Mills and his fiancee are both well known in Decatur society circles. Mr. Mills is the son of the late I. R. Mills, and is a promising young attorney. Miss Nicholl has often visited in this city and was maid of honor at the wedding of Mrs. Edwin J. Haines.

It has been known for some time that the couple were to be married, but the announcement of the fact that it is to be soon is a surprise to their friends.

GOOD SCORES AT MACON

Successful Trap Shoot Held There Tuesday Afternoon.

DECATUR TOOK PART.

The men who were at the shoot at Macon returned last night. The shoot was interesting, as scores were near together. The shoot will be continued today. The score in the big shoot and the miscellaneous shoot was as follows:

High Shoot of 225 Birds.

Stannard	207
Ed. Scott	198
J. Van Gundy	190
I. Van Gundy	190
Tom Stoner	181
W. H. Haws	173
A. R. Keller	170
George Rupert	167

Miscellaneous Shoot.

	Shot At	Broke
Axtell	170	106
J. E. Funk	195	137
George Post	165	117
Tom Pitner	150	105
Haulman	145	96
J. W. Robbins	100	84
Armstrong	100	77
Smith	90	61
Snell	80	55
Miller	50	43
Cray	60	38
G. W. Robbins	50	29

Shot His Divorced Wife.

Coshocton Ohio, Oct. 17.—William Tubbs, proprietor of the Farmers' hotel, shot and probably fatally wounded his wife and shot himself, dying instantly. His wife, had been divorced and he went to her room today on pretense of getting his clothes. The shooting followed.

Jumped the Track on Curve.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Oct. 17.—Thirty-four persons injured, three perhaps fatally, in an accident to a northbound passenger train on the Cheyenne and Northern railroad today near Horse Creek. The train was rounding a curve when the smoker and day coach left the rails and rolled down the embankment.

NEW WARSHIP IN COMMISSION.

Norfolk, Va., Oct. 17.—The United States cruiser Charleston, the latest addition to the navy, was placed in commission at Norfolk navy yard this afternoon with Captain Herbert Winslow, U. S. N., in command.

The Charleston after her official trip in January, will be sent to the Pacific station as flagship of the Asiatic fleet.

Ordered Quashed and Grand Jury Told to Try Again.

St. Louis, Oct 17.—Judge Willis Vandeventer, United States court of appeals, today announced he had sustained the demurrer to the indictment of United States Senator Burton of Kansas on the ground that the indictment was faulty. He ordered that another indictment be returned at once.

FINEST PARADE IN CITY'S HISTORY

Impressing Feature of the Meeting Was Witnessed by Thousands.

MEETING AT TEMPLE.

Addresses of Welcome and Responses at Public Session.

The first official day of the Illinois grand lodge, Knights of Pythias, has come to an end and the verdict, not of the satisfied Decatur people, but of their guests, was that it was a great success. The people of Decatur are more than satisfied if they have pleased their guests. They could do no more.

Even the elements were kind, especially during the hours of the parade, and while the sky was at times overcast, that was better than the heat of even an October sun for marching is hard work. The streets in the business center were crowded early in the day with the town people who came to see the sights and the visitors who came to take part in the proceedings. The parade, the first big public feature of the session passed off without a hitch, and was one of the prettiest parades ever seen in Decatur.

The line was formed on East Main street and the march was south on Main street to Wood, east to Water, north to Cerro Gordo, west to Main, south to Lincoln Square, around square and north on Main to North street, west to Church street, thence to the Tabernacle. The column formation was:

Comrade Martin, the national color bearer of the G. A. R. carrying the stars and stripes.

A squad of police.

The Goodman band.

Brigadier General J. H. Barkley and his staff of twenty-five mounted officers.

The K. of P. band from Champaign, twenty-two men.

Jesse Fell, No. 105, Bloomington—Capt. Charles A. McDermand; First Lieutenant, Edwin Householder; Second Lieutenant Warren M. Brown.

Custer Co. No. 22, Uniform Rank, Bloomington, twenty-five men and officers.

Captain C. A. McDermott, Lieut. Householder, Lieut. Brown.

Bertoni Co., No. 112, of Heyworth, thirty-four officers and men, Capt. S. M. Drum, Lieut. G. J. Slagle, Lieut. F. W. Day.

Metzger Co. No. 21 of Clinton, thirty-two officers and men—Capt. W. F. Gorman, Lieut. C. W. Campbell, Lieut. J. G. Royre.

U. S. Grant Co. No. 24, of Mattoon, twenty-four officers and men—Capt. W. A. Flowers, Lieut. F. Dolan, Lieut. J. Stumpf.

Unity Co. No. 33, of Champaign, thirty-five men and officers—Capt. M. A. Nelson, Lieut. E. C. Lindsey, Lieut. John Verhaar.

Decatur Co., No. 36, forty-three officers and men—Captain Charles Martin, Lieut. C. C. Sutter, Lieut. J. Hill.

Sixteen carriages containing the grand lodge Pythian and grand temple Rathbone Sisters officers.

Local lodges and visiting representatives.

There were over six hundred men in line and they made an imposing appearance. As the column approached Lincoln Square the carriages containing the grand lodge officers drove ahead to that place and reviewed the line as it countermarched on North Main street.

During the march the members of the Uniform Rank were part of the time in open order, four abreast and part of the time in close order two or four abreast. With the exception of Unity company of Champaign all of the members of the military branch of the society were in the new uniforms which conform closely to the regulation dress of the army. The members of Unity company were the old uniforms with long coats and plumed helmets, making more of a show although there was nothing lacking in the new uniforms.

DECATUR GIVES THE GLAD HAND

E. W. Barkman Represents Mayor Lehman in Extending Greeting.

The column moved at 10:10 o'clock, but there were several little delays in the marching, so that it was after 11 o'clock by the time the head of the column reached the convention hall. When the crowd about the doors was so great that some time was consumed in getting the way cleared so that the persons who had the first right to expect admission could get to and through the doors. With the outsiders who wanted to hear the proceedings there were enough and more than enough to fill all of the seats and the church has a seating capacity of at least 1,200 on the floor. In addition the seating space on the platform was all taken by the speakers and the grand lodge officers.

J. W. Carter, chairman of the local executive committee, presided, and at his request the entire audience stood while Rev. W. J. Davidson, of the First M. E. church, invoked divine blessing.

For the Mayor.

Chairman Carter introduced Mayor G. W. Lehman as the speaker in behalf of Decatur. There had been a change of program in which the chairman had not been apprised, and E. W. Barkman was said that he looked as much like G. W. Lehman as did some of the pictures printed in the newspapers, walked to the front of the platform. He said that Mayor Lehman had been indisposed for some time, but had determined to make an effort, until he found that his indisposition had caused his voice to fail him and at the last moment he had whispered to Barkman: "You do it for me." Knight Barkman said he believed he echoed the sentiment of practically every man woman and child in the city when he said that it was the happiest moment of his life to welcome the Pythians to Decatur. The local committee had done everything that they could think of in an effort to make the meeting a success, and it now remained for the visitors to pass judgment on their efforts and say if those efforts had been fruitful.

Have Lost the Key.

Chairman Carter said that he had feared that Knight Barkman was about to tender the visitors the keys to the city when he (Carter) wanted to tell them that the key was lost. Years ago it was one time given to the Elks and had never been returned. Mayor Lehman had tried to put on the lid, but according to common report he had only partially succeeded. The chairman, however, hastened to disclaim any personal knowledge of the truth of that report.

Dad's Poem.

F. B. Stearns was introduced as the "Grand Old Man of Decatur," who, after paying a tribute to the Pythians read his poem. He was several times and the women (Rathbone Sisters) interrupted by applause partly because during the reading he injected side remarks:

Decatur's Greeting.

May every Knight be Pythian in purpose, heart and soul,
With one intent to make your lodge a grand and perfect whole,
Not half of what your name implies, but all it is to do.
What Damon was to Pythias—be loyal, staunch and true.

See to it then, each of your name that your love shall be no myth.
But prove beyond all cavil your blood your kith and kin
So sacred that no other tie shall weaken yours you cherish,
But everything that makes you two, in brotherhood to perish.

Then you shall reach that higher plane that God for me intended—
One grand eternal unit by Pythian love all blended.
True in fealty, true in love, as the needle to the pole,
What Damon was to Pythias—one in heart and soul.

Then we who bid you welcome here shall have answer to our prayer.
Then the Knights who wear the helmet may be honored everywhere.
The world will be the better, that you have lived and died.
Eight loyal Knights of Pythias, that never failed when tried.

And now, let me say to you, one and all, to every one of you,
The loadstone of your very lives are your wives and sweethearts true.
The Rathbone Sisters are a power, without them you would fail.
To theh Rathbone Sisters, young and old, I bid you say All Hail!

The K. of P. Welcome.

The K. of P. welcome was by Chairman Carter, who said that Dad Stearns was a true Knight of Pythias in every thing but name, and recommended that the grand chancellor issue a dispensation that Dad could be made a knight at this meeting of the grand lodge. Chairman Carter never lost an opportunity to refer to the Pythian Home and took it for granted that it would be located in Decatur. He referred to the work that the executive committee had to do in making preparations for the grand lodge meeting, but expressed the thought that if the meeting was a success the committee members would feel that they had been well repaid for all that had been done. He mentioned Dr. C. T. Ball, F. O. Damlow, Lee Hall, W. P. Shade, Arthur McNabb, Al. Cope and others who had been untiring in their efforts to perfect the arrangements for the meeting.

He advocated the building of a Pythian Home and declared that the fraternity could undertake no nobler work, that no better place for its location than Decatur could be found.

RESPONSE BY THE GRAND CHANCELLOR.

Ready to Take "Dad" In On the Spot.

Grand Chancellor J. G. Whiting complimented the committee on the fact that up to this time everything had gone smoothly and said that during the three days that he had been in the city everything had been as pleasant as could possibly be. During his year as grand chancellor he had been asked for dispensations for nearly everything that could be imagined but this was the first time that he had been asked to issue at a moment's notice a dispensation to make a man a Knight of Pythias. However, he didn't know any man he would rather see become a Knight under such circumstances than Dad Stearns. He recognized the fact that there were outside of the ranks of the Knights of Pythias men who lived according to the principles of the order the same as did the men who are members, and the order would be better and stronger if these outsiders would become members. He referred to the meeting in Decatur in 1893 and said that the return to Decatur for another grand lodge session could but create pleasant recollections of the first meeting here and he felt certain that the representatives would leave Decatur with only pleasant recollections of this meeting.

The Governor Absent.

Chairman Carter said that Governor Deneen had been invited to take part in the proceedings but he had been compelled to attend the instalation of President James at the University of Illinois and for that reason forego the pleasure of meeting his brother knights, not as the governor of the state but as a knight, and he enjoined Chairman Carter to say that while his many duties did not now permit him to actively participate in Pythian affairs as formerly, the principles of the order were no less dear to him now than they were years ago and he wanted to express through the chairman his best wishes for the success of the fraternity.

KNIGHT BROWN MAKES HIT.

Vandalia Orator Jollies Every One Into Good Humor.

John J. Brown of Vandalia spoke on "Happy Thoughts," and said that the Pythians were royally entertained when they met in Decatur years ago and that they were being royally entertained now. His familiarity with the men prominent in the order enabled him to make a happy hit. He spoke of Clay Berry, the oldest past chancellor living, and declared that Illinois was more proud of her sons than any state in the union. Grand Chancellor James G. Whiting was complimented for having lead, during the closing war, "with a soul of fire." Harry Palmer Caldwell was jollied as the stalwart youth who had been keeper of records seal so long that it was impossible to put him out. The speaker knew because he had tried and failed. All of them applauded when he more than intimated that one day Charles Barnes would be the supreme chancellor of the order. The candidacy of Frank S. Smith for the office of grand chancellor was given a little boost and seemed to take and so did the statement that the Pythians should build a home and the intimation that it would be located at Decatur.

Decatur as a city thought it was the greatest on earth. He found no fault with that for no one succeeds unless they have a good opinion of themselves.

During the course of his remarks he referred to the fact that some of his official career as supreme representative had not met with the entire and hearty approval of the Rathbone Sisters but he had forgiven them.

Clay Berry, P. S. C. C., spoke of "Old Times," but briefly, because the hour was growing late. Te referred to the fact that thirty-four years ago when he was grand chancellor he had installed Coeur de Leon lodge No. 17, K. P. in Decatur. He had met only two of the men who were members of the lodge at that time. That was when the fraternity was having a struggle for its very existence. Then there were only thirty lodges in existence. He spoke of the Pythian Home and said that Decatur would have at least the honor of having the decision made here to build the home which he referred to as another jewel in the crown of Pythianism.

MILITARY BRANCH OF ORDER.

General J. H. Barkley Speaks of Its Purpose.

"The Uniform Rank" was the subject of the remarks of General J. H. Barkley, commander of the Illinois brigade. General Barkley said that some criticism had been made of his administration on the score that he inclined too much to regular army discipline. He said that his theory was that the members of the Uniform Rank had sought membership because they wanted to learn something.

If they wanted tin soldiers exclusively, a uniform rank merely for the purpose of giving Sunday picnics, he was not with them. He admitted that he could not help running to matters military. It had been so all his life. When a boy he had read military tactics, and having served in two wars had not lessened his appetite for such things.

He had no fault to find with his superior officers, but he intimated that he believed that there should be a change in the laws of the fraternity as to the selection of the supreme commander of the Uniform Rank. The Uniform Rank companies elect their officers, the regiments elect their officers, the brigades have choice of their commanders, but when it comes to the selection of the supreme commander of the rank, the supreme chancellor may hand that to whomsoever he will and sometimes the office has gone to young men over the heads of those who had long been in the service.

General Barkley said that he believed that it would be a drawing card for the Pythians if they would give more attention to the Uniform Rank. The only trouble now was that it was suffering from neglect and he explained how. He advocated that every subordinate lodge should have a uniform rank.

SCORE THEM MOST BEAUTIFULLY

Mrs. Quinten Best of Meeting With Her Good Natured Critisicm.

All of the speeches were interesting, but there were in the temple some persons who thought more of their dinner than anything else and a few at a time they slipped out until, when General Barkley closed, nearly half of them had gone. They missed the best thing of the meeting because they didn't stay. Nearly every one of the speakers had something to say of the Rathbone Sisters, and Chairman Carter at last introduced Mrs. Belle Quinlen, of Galesburg, past chief of the grand temple.

Her remarks aroused more merriment than anything that had been said. In a good natured way she roasted the Knights to perfection, first in referring to the experience of the Rathbone Sisters at Peoria a year ago when they were placed in the balcony to watch the Knights feast and have a good time on the floor below.

She knew that some of the Knights had no use for the Rathbone Sisters, and then she told how the grand temple of Illinois had been organized in Decatur thirteen years ago and Mrs. Jennie Haws of this city elected grand chief. Those were trying times for the Rathbone Sisters in this state and there were only eight lodges.

She gave J. J. Brown a rub and said that if he went to Louisville as supreme representative he should first be taken into the woodshed and reminded that he must obey instructions. The man from Vandalia, according to her opinion, could carry water on both shoulders a bit better than any one she ever saw. However, she was inclined to the belief that if he was started right he could get the water on the right shoulder and keep it there.

Some Pythians had an idea that the woman was not necessary in the fraternal business. These men were fools. Ideas were what was wanted. James G. Whiting, the retired chancellor, had offered the best idea in Pythianism that had been known in a decade and in the Pythian world his name was in the mouth of all, for he advocated Pythian education. Until the Rathbone sisters were organized few, if any, of the Knights knew who it was that had instituted the fraternity. The women had to tell them.

It took the women to create the sentiment in favor of the Pythian Home. The men stood about and waited to see if it would be popular, while the women took hold of it and made it popular. That was what was needed—some pushing. The women are now getting ready to help pay the expense of building the home.

While Mrs. Quinlen got after the men with a sharp stick all of the time, it was with a smile on her face and in the most good humored way, keeping her hearers constantly laughing, and frequently she was interrupted with applause. She is certainly a clever woman and the Rathbone Sisters, or any society of which she is a member, must be the better for the benefit of her bright mind.

UNTAMED STEEDS ACT UP.

Uniform Rank Officers Had Trouble With Their Mounts.

Some of the mounted officers of the Uniform Rank had a little trouble with their steeds yesterday forenoon.

Major Ferris of Tuscola, had a horse that bucked like a broncho. Desiring to avoid the Wild West act Major Ferris dismounted and in doing so fell but did not hurt himself. The horse ran west on Main street and across the platform of the transfer house, where he fell and slid for twenty feet. Before he could get away again he had been captured.

On Lincoln Square just as the column moved the horse ridden by Capt. Swan of Mattoon, reared and fell over backwards. The captain slipped out of his saddle and escaped injury although his sword scabbard was bent double. He remounted and rode away.

Among the experts who looked on there was a difference of opinion as to whether the trouble was due to the cinching, to the spurs or the general cussedness of the horses.

The matter of the appointment of an administrator of the estate of Orpha Burrows came up in the county court Monday. The half brothers of the deceased want the full brothers and sisters to have an administrator appointed. Judge Smith issued a citation against the full brothers and sisters requiring them to show why an administrator should not be appointed.

REVISE CONSULAR SERVICE

A. A. Burnham of Chicago, Submits a Plan for Reorganization.

HE DROPS THE FEES.

Washington, Oct. 18.—Austin A. Burnham, general secretary of the National business league of Chicago, today had an interview with Secretary Root regarding the formulation of a bill having for its object a thorough re-organization of the consular service with a view to making it essentially a business department of the government.

The measure proposed provides, among other things, for a substitution of salaries for fees; covering of all fees into United States treasury; increase in salaries, so that consuls will be sufficiently paid; better accommodations for our consuls abroad; improved classification and transfer of consular officers; classification of consular and commercial agents and clerks putting them in line for promotion through the various consular grades; adoption of system that will entirely remove service from sphere of political influence, thus insuring permanency of tenure during efficiency and good conduct; requirement that consuls be familiar with French, German, Spanish or Chinese language; and complete Americanization of the service throughout all grades.

SOUGHT TO STEAL PEOPLE'S SAVINGS

Denver Men Alleged to Be Mixed In Gigantic Conspiracy.

ARE PROMINENT CITIZENS

General and Specific Charges Made In Return By Grand Jury.

Denver, Colo.—Oct. 17.—Leonard Imloden, James A. Hill, C. B. Wilfley, E. E. Hull, H. L. Hull, C. C. Robert, W. T. Camp, D. M. Carey, A. R. Davis, J. H. Edmondson, were indicted by the grand jury today on a charge of conspiring to steal $1,712,587 from the Denver Savings bank.

Wilfley and Edmondson were former presidents of the Denver Savings bank, and Hill was president when a receiver was appointed last August. H. L. Hull is president of the Mount Vernon National bank, Boston; Roberts and Carey officers of the Cherokee State bank of Enid, Okla; Camp and Davis officers of the Texas Trust company, Fort Worth, Tex., and Imboden and E. E. Hull promoters.

In addition to a general conspiracy indictment seven indictments were found against Edmondson on charges of larceny, embezzlement and converting funds of depositors to his own use.

He is charged specifically with robbery of $105,000. Imboden, Wilfley and Hull were arrested here this afternoon. Capiases for those not in the city were telegraphed to the cities where they reside.

ECHOES OF IROQUOIS FIRE

First of the Damage Suits to Be Called for trial Today.

IN THE U. S. COURT.

Chicago, Oct. 17.—The trial of the first damage suits against the proprietors of the Iroquois theater, which was destroyed by fire on the afternoon of December 30, 1903, will commence tomorrow in the United States circuit court before Judge Landis.

The cases are those of Edna S. Hunter, who demands $25,000 because of injuries sustained by herself; Miss Edith Banshaf for $10,000 because of the death of George Banshaf.

MUST QUIT THE MANCHURIAN COUNTRY.

Linevitch Gets Orders for Withdrawal of His Troops.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 17.—The war office has communicated the news of the ratification of the peace treaty to General Linevitch, who has been ordered to arrange the necessary steps to carry out the provisions for the withdrawal of Russian troops from Manchuria in eighteen months and the evacuation of Korea.

County Court.

In the county court yesterday a petition was filed in the estate of the late E. B. Armstrong for the appointment of an administrator and filed bond in the sum of $400. His sureties are Teo. M. Kellar and James Veech. Appraisers were named as follows: Isaac Andrews, William Bitterick and James K. Wheeler.

HIT BY A STREET CAR.

Niantic Farmer Got Off With Slight Injuries.

P. A. Miller, a farmer from Niantic, was struck by the Eldorado street car last night about 8 o'clock at the corner of Water and South Park streets. Officer Miller took him in the patrol to police headquarters where Superintendent Harry called Dr. Will Chenoweth, the company's physician. The man was found to be only slightly injured and was taken to the 9 o'clock

DRAWING THE LINES TIGHT

Important Treasury Ruling Which Affects Proprietary Medicines.

A CIRCULAR ISSUED.

Setting Forth the Duties of the Revenue Collectors.

Deputy Revenue Collector S. M. Holmes, along with others in the revenue service is in receipt of the following important circular touching alcoholic compounds labeled as medicine and held out to the public as remedies for disease. The circular is issued by the treasury department and says:

Among the various alcoholic compounds now on the market, advertised and sold as medicine under the name of whisky, bitters, tonic, cordials, etc., there are some that are composed chiefly of distilled spirits, or mixtures thereof, without the addition of drugs or medicinal ingredients in sufficient quantities to change materially the character of the alcoholic liquor.

The fact that these compounds, during the existence of the statute tax on proprietary medicines, were, without the necessity of investigation into their medicinal character, by the terms of the law made subject to that tax, because they were held out to the public as medicines, does not afford ground for relieving the manufacturers from special tax as rectifiers and liquor dealers, or dealers therein from special tax as liquor dealers under the provisions of section 3244, Revised Statutes, and amendments.

It is held that the statute requires the exaction of this special tax from the manufacturer of every compound composed of distilled spirits, even though drugs are declared to have been added thereto when their presence is not discovered by chemical analysis or it is found that the quantity of drugs in the preparation is so small as to have no appreciable effect on the alcoholic liquor of which the compound is mainly or largely composed.

The same ruling applies to every compound labeled as a remedy for diseases and containing, in addition to distilled spirits, only substances or ingredients which, however large their quantity, are not of a character to impart any medicinal quality to the compound; but where substances undoubtedly medicinal in their character are compound with whisky or other alcoholic liquor and are used in sufficient quantity to give a medicinal quality to the liquor other than that which it may inherently possess, such compound is of course, not to be included in this ruling.

The question in each case, arising under the terms of this circular will be determined by this office, not merely upon result of the analysis of the formula submitted by the manufacturer of the compound, but upon result of the analysis made in the chemical laboratory here of samples obtained in the open market and sent in by the local internal-revenue officers and agents.

The ruling as to these compounds in the fourth paragraph of Circular No. 608 (Treasury Decisions, 1901, vol. 4, p. 210), "that if they are composed of spirits in combination with drugs, herbs, roots, etc., and are held out as remedies for disease stated in labels on the bottles, they are to be regarded as medicines until the facts ascertained, as to the purpose for which they are usually sold or used, show them to be beverages, and until such facts are obtained druggists and merchants who sell these compounds in good faith as medicines until the facts are ascertained as to the purpose for which they are usually sold or used, show them to be beverages, and until such facts are obtained druggists and merchants who sell these compounds in good faith as medicines only are to be called on to pay special tax as liquor dealers on account of such sales," is hereby revoked.

But in order that no injustice may be done to these druggists and merchants who, without holding special-tax stamps as liquor dealers, now have in stock these compounds for sale as medicines, this circular will not be put into effect until December 1, 1905.

Collectors will, however, immediately upon the receipt of this circular send out notice to all druggists and merchants dealing in proprietary medicines in their districts who do not hold the requisite special-tax stamp as liquor dealers, that on and after December 1, 1905, they will be required to pay special tax for selling the alcoholic compounds coming within the ruling now promulgated even when they sell them in good faith for medicinal use only, never selling them as beverages, nor selling them knowingly to those buying them for use as beverages.

JOHN W. YERKES,
Commissioner.

MRS. SMITH MAY RECOVER

Mrs. Mable Smith, who received severe burns in an accident Monday afternoon, is resting quite easily at St. Mary's Hospital and it is thought that her chances of recovery are good. The extent of her burns was so great that for a time her life was despaired of. She suffered a great deal all day yesterday, but late last night she was reported as resting easily and would probably get well.

DeBruler-Stewart.

Jay De Bruler of Decatur and Miss Minnie Stewart of Loogootee, Ind., were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents last evening. They will take a trip, after which they will make their home in Decatur. They will arrive here Oct. 24. Mr. DeBruler is engaged with the Central Union Life Insurance company with his brother, Hume DeBruler, the general agent.

Austrian Premier Will Resign.

Budapest, Oct. 17.—The Gazette tomorrow will contain an autograph letter of the king emperor reappointing Fejervary premier on the ground that his new program has been accepted by his majesty, and instructing him to fill the vacant portfolio. It is reported the reappointment of Fejervary will involve the resignation of Austrian premier.

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MRS. JOHN KING GIVEN HONOR

Named As Grand Representative to the Supreme Lodge.

RATHBONE SISTERS

Practically Complete Work By Electing Officers.

The annual grand session of the Rathbone Sisters of Illinois at the meeting Wednesday honored Decatur by selecting Mrs. John E. King of this city as the representative to the supreme session. The alternate named was Mrs. Anna Anthony of Kewanee.

The most important business of the day was the election of officers which took place in the afternoon. The result was as follows.

Grand Chief—Mrs. Ida M. Kewley, Chicago.

Grand Senior—Mrs. Lizzie Heyt, Chicago.

Grand Junior—Mrs. Mary Spicer, Clinton.

Grand Manager—Mrs. Belle Snyder, DeKalb.

Grand Mistress of Records and Correspondence—Mrs. Leonora Simpson, Leroy.

Grand Mistress of Finance—Mrs. Carrie Root, Gardner.

Grand Protector—Mrs. Lizzie Brimmer, Sterling.

Grand Outer Guard—Mrs. Phyllis Richmond, Coal City.

Delegate to Supreme Session—Mrs. John E. King of Decatur, and alternate, Mrs. Anna Anthony, of Kewanee.

The election took place in the afternoon. All of the morning session was taken up with routine business which is not of general public interest. Reports of different committees were made and other matters given attention.

There will be a session today and the officers will be installed and the business concluded.

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MISS ALICE PAYS DUTY

President Says Must Be Treated as Private Citizen—Her Gifts.

AMOUNT NOT KNOWN.

Washington, Oct. 18.—Secretary Shaw and the collector of customs of San Francisco have had a load of trouble for several weeks about which the public has known nothing, but it was lifted today.

The trouble was on account of the presents which Miss Alice Roosevelt, daughter of the president, has received during her trip to the Philippines, China, Japan and Corea. She has been given many pretty and some valuable presents. One newspaper reported several weeks ago that the actual value of her gifts is about $100,000. She has received valuable silks in China and Japan, and pearls in Island of Sulu, and wherever she has gone gifts have been showered on her.

If the usual rate of duty was imposed it would cost Miss Roosevelt or her father more than $60,000. Neither Miss Roosevelt nor her father are wealthy, although the young woman is understood to have a modest fortune in her own right.

Secretary Shaw finally took his burden to the president and told him about it.

"There is only one thing to do," replied Mr. Roosevelt, "that is to treat my daughter's baggage as you would the baggage of any other private person. She will pay duty on everything that is dutiable."

Members of the Taft party say the value of Miss Roosevelt's presents have been exaggerated. But whatever the value it will be determined by the local appraisers in San Fransisco or the port at which she lands.

CUBA IS GETTING JEALOUS

Does Not Want Philippines to Get Best of Tariff or Treaties.

WANT NEW TREATY.

Havana, Oct. 18.—Fear that the United States will lower tariffs on Philippine products was one of the factors that led to a united movement of commercial, industrial and agricultural associations of Cuba in favor of a new commercial treaty with the United States.

Officers and directors of the joint movement began here Tuesday night visited President Palma this afternoon and outlined to him their purpose of securing a general treaty of commerce and navigation with the United States to supersede the present reciprocity treaty between the two countries.

President Palma in responding said the government would heartily co-operate in the matter, that personally he would be glad to be identified with an object so important in the country's interests and pledged his best efforts to the cause.

New Cure for Cancer.

All surface cancers are now known to be curable, by Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Jas. Walters, of Ruffield, Va., writes: "I had a cancer on my lip for years, that seemed incurable, till Bucklen's Arnica Salve healed it, and now it is perfectly well." Guaranteed cure for cuts and burns, 25c at J. E. King, Krone's Drug Store and C. H. Walter.

New York, Oct. 18.—The announcement was made today that George J. Gould has resigned as chairman of the Wabash railroad company and has been succeeded by E. T. Jeffrey, president of the Denver & Rio Grande company. F. A. Delano was elected president of

Sick Wives and Daughters.

You have often seen them with pale faces, poor appetite, head and back ache, symptoms common to the sex. Fathers and mothers lose no time in securing Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, of Roundout, N. Y. It will cost only one dollar and is much cheaper than sickness. Write to Dr. David Kennedy's Sons, Roundout, N. Y., for a free sample bottle.

Don't Borrow Trouble.

It is a bad habit to borrow anything, but the worst thing you can possibly borrow, is trouble. When sick, sore, heavy, weary and worn-out by the pains and poisons of dyspepsia, biliousness, Bright's disease, and similar internal disorders, don't sit down and brood over your symptoms, but fly for relief to Electric Bitters. Here you will find sure and permanent forgetfulness of all your troubles, and your body will not be burdened by a load of debt disease. At J. E. King's, Krone's drug store and C. H. Walter's drug store. Price 50c. Guaranteed.

DEEDS RECORDED.

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John C. Roby to Orrintha M. Roby, quit claim to one-half interest in lot 4, block 2, in H. Robinson's addition; $1

Anne E. Fielding to Herman Bauer, a tract of land in block 5 of Kaufman's addition; $1,200.

Like Chewing Gum.

A new asphalt pavement had been laid in front of the home of a little Chicago boy. He was determined, according to the little Chronicle, to walk upon it while it was soft. His mother explained to him why he should not do so. The temptation, however, was too great. He walked, and was brought into the house. "Mamma," sobbed he, in disappointment, "you don't know how nice it is to walk out there; it's just like chewing gum with your heels."

Full of Tragic Meaning.

are these lines from J. H. Simmons of Casey, Ia. Think what might have resulted from his terrible cough if he had not taken the medicine about which he writes: "I had a fearful cough, that disturbed my night's rest. I tried everything, but nothing would relieve it, until I took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, which completely cured me." Instantly relieves and permanently cures all throat and lung diseases; prevents grip and pneumonia. At J. E. King's, Krone's drug store and C. H. Walter's, druggists; guaranteed; 50c and $1.00. Trial bottle 10c.

EIGHT KILLED; THIRTY INJURED

Storm of Tuesday Night Causes Death and Damage at Sorrento.

CRUSHED WHILE SLEEPING

Havoc Wrought By Cyclone Followed By a Deluge of Rain.

Eight persons are dead, four as yet unidentified, three are expected to die and thirty are less seriously injured, as the result of a cyclonic storm which struck Sorrento, Ill., 32 miles north of St. Louis, on the Clover Leaf, at 9:15 p. m. Tuesday. Forty houses were blown to pieces or carried far from their foundations. A complete swath was cut through the town. Everything in the track of the storm was reduced to debris or blown away, and, when the twisting cloud had passed, the ground was strewn with dead and injured.

The property damage is estimated at between $80,000 and $100,000.

Identified Dead.

MRS. THOMAS FILES, 38 years old.
MRS. WILLIAM STEWART, 60 years old.
WILLIAM MANN, 60 years old.
HARRISON MANN, 18 years old.

The Injured.

Joseph Mann.
E. F. Jestes.
Frank Shields and two daughters.
Mrs. I. J. May.
Charles Miller and wife.
Henry Hays and wife.
Henry Barlow.
William Kirkland and wife.
William Stewart.
Thomas File.
Mrs. Phoebe Moore.
Mr. and Mrs. George Root.
Mrs. John Griffith.
T. J. Barker, hurt internally; serious.
Mrs. T. J. Barker, limbs broken and hurt internally; will die.
Grace Barker, face and body badly bruised.
Ethel Barker, hurt internally.
Ures Barker, back sprained.
Mrs. Henry Barlow, internal injuries; serious.
Mrs. Griffy, limb broken and internal injuries; serious.
George Shaw and wife, badly bruised.
Mrs. William Mann, face crushed and hurt internally; will die.
Mrs. Lila Hays, Litchfield.
T. P. Moss and wife.
Lizzie File.
George Root and wife.
John L. West.

Near Kauffman Station, 11 miles north of Edwardsville, the Clover Leaf tracks, were washed away. Eastbound trains were held at Edwardsville to await the repairing of the track.

The Wabash branch tracks to the Banner clay works in Edwardsville were washed out, and Lowes' livery stable was flooded. 30 horses being taken out as the water rose.

The greatest damage was done in the vicinity of William Mann's home. The home was completely destroyed and most of it was blown for some distance.

The father and mother and four children were in the house. Mr. Mann and his 18-year-old son were killed and Mrs. Mann and the other three children were injured. The injuries of Mrs. Mann and Joseph, a 15-year-old son, are serious.

Mrs. Mann was blown clear across the railroad track, beside which the home stood.

There were probably 250 people in the houses in the track of the storm. Because it was a stormy evening and near bedtime, nearly everybody was at home.

When it was seen Wednesday morning how complete the destruction of the houses had been it was considered marvelous that a greater number had not been killed or injured.

The north bound Clover Leaf train came within two minutes of being struck by the storm. It arrived just after the storm cloud had passed and after stopping at the station proceeded on its way, the crew not knowing that the town had been struck.

Work of Rescue.

It was fifteen ortwenty minutes before it became generally known through the town that a disaster had occurred. Only those living near to the path of the storm knew it at first.

As soon as the extent of the calamity was appreciated the work of rescue was begun vigorously. Many were found pinioned under wreckage. They were taken out and carried to a school house near by, which served as a temporary hospital. Others were taken to the homes of relatives.

Mrs. I. J. May, who is not expected to recover, was taken unconscious from under timbers.

The storm struck so suddenly that nobody had time to seek safety in cellars. The destruction was done in a couple of minutes. In other parts of the town, including the business section, the storm was not thought to be of every unusual severity.

The storm approached from the southwest and swept through the main residence portion of the town. It was so violent that not a building remained standing in its path. Some were so completely scattered that no trace of them could be found, nothing remaining but the foundations. Others more strongly built held together, but were blown from 300 to 400 yards from their foundations.

The four killed were in their homes in different parts of the town. All were so badly crushed by flying timbers that death is supposed to have been instantaneous.

Wife Dead; Husband Dying.

Mrs. Thomas File and her husband were found lying close together in the ruins of their home. At first it was thought that both were dead, but it was found that the man was only unconscious. However, his injuries are so serious that his recovery is not expected.

William Stewart and Mrs. William Curtland were also so badly injured that they are expected to die.

The injuries of many of the others are serious, but are not thought to be fatal.

The work of the wind was quickly done. While the rain was still pouring down and the thunder was rolling and the lightning flashing incessantly, the people who had not been hurt and whose homes had not been destroyed recovered from their consternation and moved quickly by the common impulse set to work with a will to rescue the injured and care for them.

For half and hour they were hampered by the heaviest downpour of rain the town has ever known. It was after the whirlwind had passed, if a veritable cloudburst, more severe possible, than while the wind was doing its deadly work, but the people began their work of relief without regard to the rain.

RIVERS OUT OF BANKS

Missouri Pacific's Temporary Bridge at Otterville, Mo., Washed Away.

JEFFERSON CITY OUT.

Sedalia, Mo., Oct. 18.—The temporary bridge erected by the Missouri Pacific Railway Co. over the Lamine River at Otterville, thirteen miles east, went out at 3 o'clock this morning, following a downpour of rain, the greater portion of the night, and which for more than an hour was in the nature of a cloudburst.

The temporary structure replaced the 137 foot steel bridge that was washed out Sept. 17, and which shut off traffic from the east for four days.

Ever since then a large force of men have been at work putting in new piers for a new steel bridge, and it was to have been placed in position inside of a week. All traffic from the east is cut off for an indefinite period.

The fast mail train, due here at 7:50 o'clock this morning, was sent out of St. Louis over the Chicago & Alton to Kansas City.

There are also washouts near Jefferson City and Chamois on the Missouri Pacific. On the Missouri, Kansas and Texas there are bad washouts and the trains out of St. Louis for the south last night and today were sent over the Burlington to Hannibal and then to Sedalia over the M. K. & T.

The rain of last night was the heaviest of the season for the time it lasted, and every stream in this section is out of its banks.

PARSIFAL PROVED GREAT PRODUCTION

Greeted By Only a Fair Sized Audience Here.

Probably the finest production of the kind ever sen in Decatur was the dramatization of "Parsifal," which was presented at the Grand opera house last night. There was a good audience but the house was not crowded as would be expected.

In the play is well told, and in a reverential manner, the legend of the Holy Grail and its defenders, the losing of the sacred spear and its recovery by Parsifal. The company is an excellent one. Mr. Gratton, who plays the part of Parsifal, was splendid and Miss Eva Taylor, who is the leading lady, is a woman of splendid beauty and ability as an actress.

The costuming of the play is exquisite and the scenery was probably the most elaborate ever shown on the stage in this city. It was necessary to remove all of the regular scenery from the theatre to make room.

The performance began half an hour earlier than the ordinary play and lasted longer. The audience was highly pleased and was liberal with applause.

PAINTER ELOPES WITH FAIR POET

William P. Henderson of National Fame Weds Miss Alice Corbin.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 18.—Art circles were surprised today to learn that William P. Henderson, painter, and Miss Alice Corbin, poet, had eloped and been married in Lake Bluff, and slipped away to Fox Lake to pass their honeymoon. The wedding came as the climax of a quiet romance of the studies which had been developing for two years.

Mr. Henderson is a painter of national fame. His family is in Medford, Mass. He has exhibited often in Chicago and at national expositions, his work in the gallery of the St. Louis World's Fair winning him praise.

The bride is a poet and has achieved recognition as a contributor to magazines. She has made her home with Mrs. Harriet Brainard, Thirty-ninth street and Oakland avenue.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

Owing to the fact that a number of bicycles have been stolen from the High school lately. Principal Ehrman yesterday stated that he would bring the matter of building or providing in some manner a shed or other place in which the boys might lock their wheels while school is in session. The matter will be brought up at the next meeting of the board. All teachers made remarks about the practice some boys had of taking valves from the tires and committing other depredations on wheels left standing at the building.

Principal Ehrman yesterday stated that he would endeavor to secore a special rate for the boys of the High school for membership in the Y. M. C. A. There are many boys on the track team especially who would like the benefit of the gymnasium, but who feel that they cannot pay the regular membership fees.

Arrangements have been made whereby High school students can secure special rates to the performance of "The Merchant of Venice" at the Powers Grand Friday night. The seats will be in the balcony at 25 cents, which is half the regular price.

Plans to Get Rich

Are often frustrated by sudden breakdown, due to dyspepsia or constipation. Brace up and take Dr. King's New Life Pills. They take out the materials which are clogging your energies, and give you a new start. Cure headache and dizziness, too. At J. E. King, Krone's Drug Store, C. H. Walter's drug store; 25c, guaranteed.

Officials Visit Boston.

Boston, Oct. 18.—Committee of the Iowa legislature, headed by State Senator Saunders, was received in the state house by Lieut.-Gov. Curtis Guild, Jr. The legislators came here to investigate the Massachusetts reformatory system and to study the operation of the indeterminate sentence act.

LOWER DEBT BY SIX THOUSAND

Nearly Half That Amount In Cash Realized at Y. M. C. A. Dinner.

BALANCE IS PLEDGED.

State Secretary Brown Helped Along the Good Cause.

R. I. Hunt	$ 250
Woman's Club	600
A Friend	250
A. H. Mills	250
Lyon Lumber Co.	500
J. S. Baldwin, for a friend	125
R. C. Augustine	50
J. A. Montgomery	50
Total cash	$2,075

At the Beefsteak dinner of the Y. M. C. A. Wednesday evening the above cash subscriptions were made to help raise the debt of the association on the building.

A silent canvass was then taken, the gentlemen being requested to write pledges on cards passed to them which brought the total of cash and pledges to $2,785. This was finally raised to $3,000, I. E. Brown giving $100.

J. S. Baldwin then stated that he would be one of ten men to pledge himself to secure, personally or by canvass $500 before January 1. This was responded to by six gentlemen, the remaining four not being secured. Thus $6,000 in all was pledged to be raised by the first of January at the latest.

State Secretary Brown was highly pleased with the building and said that there was but one Y. M. C. A. gymnasium in the state larger than it. He commended the work of the building committee in their success.

The Dinner.

The dinner was served to about eighty business and professional men, who have been interested in the work of getting the building. It was simply a beef dinner. Beef, biscuits, baked potatoes, celery, coffee, pickles, olives and pumpkin pie was the bill of fare. Sherman Strouse catered.

Of the $15,000 debt under which the committee still labors, $2,575 cash was raised and another $3,000 pledged by the gentlemen present at the beefsteak dinner at the Y. M. C. A. last night, and there were less than one hundred there. I. E. Brown of Chicago, state secretary of the Y. M. C. A., was introduced and acted as chairman of the meeting, which was called to order shortly after dinner had been discussed. He delivered a short talk in which he said in part.

"I think we have here on the one hand the encouragement of your presence and on the other, a combination of discouragements, had we all not learned that discouragements lead to victory. I have here two telegrams from Mr. Smith, who was to have been here tonight, saying that he will be compelled to cancel his engagement.

"There are three things I want to say tonight with all the emphasis I can give.

"The first is the large investment man or community can make in the young man. Investors realize from their investments in banks, in manufactories and in mercantile enterprises. They know how it is that the golden streams of profit pours into their pockets. The greatest investment that can be made now is in young manhood that wealth often overlooks."

Gave Statistics.

Mr. Brown followed this up with a recital of figures in which he stated that nine million dollars were being expended in buildings this year, four million of which has been pledged, and the great amount of money bequeathed in wills to the building funds of Y. M. C. A. organizations. He went on to tell that the only place that the young man would have in which to commune with his fellows, were it not for the Y. M. C. A. buildings and other such institutions, would be the saloon or other place of vice and gave examples.

He said that he was one of the fourteen young boys who started the first Y. M. C. A. in this city. He asked if there were any others present who had been one of the first fourteen. There were none, Dr. E. J. Brown being the nearest, having been one of the first one hundred. Mr. Brown gave a short sketch of the progress of the organization in this city since that time. He said that he thought that the Y. M. C. A. in Decatur when he was a boy, had done more good for him in his later years than any other outside influence that had ever been brought to bear on him.

Upon the completion of his address he began to canvass for the remainder of the required amount to clear the building of debt. It was stated that the building ready for occupancy would cost $80,000. The amount now subscribed for is $65,000, leaving a deficit of $15,000.

Wm. Connoley was then called upon for a few words. He said that, were he financially able to do so, the first thing he would do would be to write a check for $1,000. Dr. E. J. Brown was called upon and gave a little sketch of the early life of the Y. M. C. A. in Decatur. Then the work of raising the deficit was begun.

CYCLONE KILLS TWO CHILDREN

Indian Territory Storm Leaves Wide Trail of Destruction.

Tulsa, I. T., Oct. 18.—A cyclone travelling from southwest to northeast struck one mile west of Manford, O. T., 25 miles west of Tulsa, last night. Two little children of E. R. Anderson were killed and Mrs. Anderson and a Miss Maude Root were seriously injured, and it is reported that others were injured.

After leaving Manford the storm followed the Arkansas river and for miles left a trail of destruction a quarter of a mile wide. The roar of the storm was heard distinctly at Tulsa and many people made for their storm cellars in alarm.

Appleton, Wis., Oct. 18.—In the presence of their great grandchildren each of the contracting parties, Henry Heiman, a wealthy farmer aged 74, and Katherine Jaekels, aged 67, were married here today. The son of the groom is the husband of the daughter of the bride.

IS EIGHTY YEARS OLD.

W. B. Wilson of Bonne Terre, Mo., who celebrated his eightieth birthday at the home of his sister, Mrs. Harriet Webb, 274 West Wood street, Tuesday, was a visitor in Decatur in 1857. He with a party of friends was on his way to Missouri from Lancaster, Ohio, his birthplace, and where he spent the early part of his life. The party stopped at Decatur on Satarday night and wished to stay over Sunday but the landlord could not accommodate them so they had to move on. The hotel was located where the Decatur market is now. Mr. Wilson has only a faint recollection of Decatur at that time and remembers it as a small country town. The party passed through Springfield, Jacksonville and Quincy on their way to Missouri.

Mr. Wilson made a trip with a party of fifty-two persons from Lancaster to California in 1853. He recollects the territory that the party passed over and thinks that he could point out land marks on the route taken even now. They went from Cincinnati to Kansas by water. They were wrecked at Kansas City and had to land. They passed through southern Nebraska, through Fort Kearney, Laramie, Wyo., and thence by way of Salt Lake. The party was so large that it was not molested by the Indians although they encountered other hardships. Mr. Wilson remembers very distinctly of the snowfall on July 4, they at that time being high up among the mountains.

The party reached California in safety, having been five months on the way. The fever was at its height then and Mr. Wilson with others of the party set to work prospecting for gold but he was without success. He returned to Lancaster after remaining there for two years but stayed there but a short time when he migrated to Missouri, where he has spent the greater part of his life.

Mr. Wilson has always enjoyed good health and is well preserved for a man of his age. His nerves are remarkably steady and he can shoot with the younger persons. His mind is clear and his reminiscences of his travels are exceptionally clear. His hearing has lost some of its keenness and his gait hasn't the speed of the present day, but that is a matter of small importance to him. He came here to attend the family reunion which was held at his sister's, Mrs. Harriet Webb. The members of the family who were present were Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Hanson and Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Wilson, Hamilton, Ill.; W. M. Leiby, Lancaster, O.; Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Markley, Eureka, Mo.; Clinton Webb and family, Macon; C. L. Webb and family, F. M. Webb and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Webb of this city.

At the reunion which was held in Eureka, Mo., last year, the brothers and sisters of the family were together for the first time in fifty years.

NOTES AT RANDOM.

Members of the grand lodge say that this was the most harmonious state meeting that has been held for a good many years. When James Whiting was elected grand chancellor commander he promised that the grand lodge at Decatur would be harmonious and many who are here say that he has carried out his pledge.

The services in the Powers building where the Rathbone Sisters are holding their convention has been good. The elevators have been busy from early morning until late at night and the passengers have been well taken care of. Wednesday was probably the biggest day the building ever had in the way of carrying people on the elevators. The ladies in attendance at the session were going up and down all day and at night a reception was held and hundreds went to the K. of P. hall. In front of the building there was a handsome decoration of colored lights.

Mrs. Anna Gossart, of Sterling, and one of the state officers of the Rathbone Sisters, lost a handsome silk jacket while attending the session. She offered a reward for the return of the garment.

A. F. Calvin, of Newton, Ill., is being entertained during the K. of P. convention by Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Hinman, 340 West William street. Newton, Ill., is Mr. Hinman's home town.

Receptions for the visitors were given at all three of the K. of P. lodges last night. The receptions were all informal. Refreshments were served and the visitors were given an opportunity to meet the local members of the order.

There was a big attendance at all of the lodge halls and the delegates were well entertained.

MILMINE.

Milmine, Oct. 18.—Dave Mussleman is installing a gas plant in his buildings.

Gus Walls was a business visitor here Monday.

Arthur East transacted business in Decatur Monday.

Mrs. Briggs of Rhode Island, has returned to her home, after an extended visit with her niece, Mrs. K. S. East.

T. I. Holcomb, Jr., of Chicago, is spending his vacation at home.

T. I. Holcomb attended the annual encampment of his regiment at Belleville, Ill., the latter part of last week.

J. Tilley and wife returned from a visit with their children at Dalton City

S. Barber made a business trip to Decatur Monday.

Ernest East has been spending a few days at home.

Dr. Betts is moving his household goods into Mrs. Leevre's house.

Cash Colcomb of Oakley was in town Friday.

MIDLAND CITY.

Midland City, Oct. 18.—Miss Lucille Parker, who is attending J. M. U. at Decatur, spent Sunday with parents.

J. M. Safly and wife transacted business in Lincoln Thursday.

Lewis Laughery and wife spent Sunday in Chestnut with relatives.

Will Wasson, who is teaching school at Cornland, came home Saturday to visit his parents over Sunday.

Last Thursday evening about 3 o'clock occurred the death of Mrs. Bloye of Bungtown. She had been sick for quite a while. Funeral was held at the house Sunday and preached by Rev. McFadden of the M. E. church. The remains were interred in Woodlawn cemetery at Clinton.

Rev. T. T. Holton of Lincoln preached a sermon at the Christian church Sunday afternoon to a good sized crowd. This is the first sermon for quite a while in Old Union church. It is talked that it will be fixed up and regular services held there.

ENGINEER IS FATALLY HURT

Harry M. Raybuck Received Fractured Skull at Farrington.

ITS COAL CARS NOW.

Wabash Repair Gang Give Attention to Them.

At Farrington, just out of Terre Haute, on Tuesday, Harry M. Raybuck, an engineer in the freight service on the Peoria division of the Vandalia, sustained what are believed to be fatal injuries. At that point the freight train that he was pulling [illegible] passenger train and when the [illegible] had passed Raybuck, who was on the ground looking over his engine [illegible] the conductor who was in the [illegible] pull up to the telegraph office [illegible] they would get orders. Raybuck [illegible] the engine loose from the [illegible] climbed on to the rear of the tank [illegible] the conductor handled the engine. Looking back a few seconds later the conductor saw the body of Raybuck lying on the ground. An examination showed that he was unconscious and suffering from a fractured skull. [illegible] parallel track was a string of [illegible] cars and the belief is that Raybuck leaned far out to look at something beneath his engine and in doing so was struck on the head by a [illegible] of the dump cars. Raybuck was about 32 years old, married [illegible] home was in Terre Haute. He was well known along the Peoria division and was popular with those who knew him.

Stopped Runaway Engine.

Conductor Boyle of the Illinois Central, by his quick action prevented a side collision of a runaway [illegible] engine and a Wabash train at the Illinois Central-Wabash crossing Wednesday morning. The engine was running at a speed of ten miles an hour [illegible] Conductor Boyle jumped aboard without difficulty and, shutting off the steam, brought it to a standstill within a rod of what had seemed to be an ill-fated train.

The engine had been left outside of the Illinois Central round house in the northern part of town and the men were inside of the roundhouse. A leaky throttle allowed the steam to start the engine, which increased speed until it was going quite rapidly. The switch leading to the main track was closed but the engine passed through it, ruining it. Once on the main track its speed quickened. A Wabash train was standing on the crossing and Conductor Boyle and Switch Foreman [illegible] were about one hundred yards [illegible] it. No one suspected anything wrong until Boyle saw that there was no one aboard the engine. Almost as quick as a flash he jumped onto the engine as it passed him and brought it to a stop. The men at the roundhouse knew nothing of the engine's escapade until Conductor Boyle took it back there.

Heavy Rainfall.

The railroad men report that the rainfall south of Litchfield Tuesday night was exceptionally heavy. Some of the trainmen who were in the downpour said that never had they seen so much water fall in such a short time. The Wabash was compelled to put out slow orders for some [illegible] of the track but beyond that suffered no injury.

The Big Four was using the Wabash tracks south of Litchfield yesterday and the report was that that was made necessary by a washout suffered [illegible] the Vanderbilt line.

Thomas Strain, whose department has charge of the water supplies, [illegible] that he welcomed the rain for [illegible] eral places the supply for [illegible] tanks had run so low that [illegible] tion of getting enough for the [illegible] was a serious problem. The [illegible] erally was so heavy that he was [illegible] ed to believe the danger of a water famine had been averted.

Coal Cars.

The work in the freight [illegible] of the Wabash is now confined [illegible] exclusively to coal cars. This [illegible] dition which serves among others to illustrate the importance [illegible] middle division of the Wabash [illegible] carrying road. The possible [illegible] traffic and its importance has been increasing every year [illegible] mines are developed [illegible] producers, which they cannot [illegible] after they have been worked [illegible] time, the importance of [illegible] continue to grow.

KILLS WIFE OVER $1

Hawarden (Io.) Woman Gave It to Church, Was Choked and Beaten.

CHILDREN INFORMED.

Hawarden, Ia., Oct. 18.—At the [illegible] of Mrs. Matt Boldes, whose death her husband had given out as caused by heart disease, the husband was arrested accused of murder on the information of the children.

It was found that Mrs. Boldes had told her husband she had given a dollar to her church.

"You are always doing fool things," he shouted in passion, and what the children assert he seized the woman by the throat, choked her and kicked her and then, as he pushed her from him, dealt her a terrific blow below the left shoulder, felling her to the floor, where she lay dead.

In the meantime the 8-year-old boy, in a brave attempt to save his mother, had attacked the father with a hatchet but his puny strength inflicted only slight injuries. When the father drove him out of the house to finish beating the woman the boy hurled big stones at him through a window.

The man threatened his children with death if they ever told what really happened, but the woman's brother was suspicious and caused an examination of the body, when it was found she was covered with bruises.

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Bird's Eye View of Central Illinois

MOTHER DEGRADES CHILD

Arrest of Mrs. Huntsman at Pana Results In Shocking Disclosures.

CHILD GIVEN AWAY.

Pana, Oct. 18.—Charged with a crime against children, Mrs. Emanuel Huntsman was under arrest in this city and was held to the grand jury under $[illegible] bond. The arrest of Mrs. Huntsman was brought about by the diligent work of Truant Officer Weddel. He has taken Florence Eckard, a child of Mrs. Huntsman by her first marriage, several times and called today for the child and to ask her mother why her daughter should not go to school. The officer was informed that the child was married and that she had nothing to do with her. The officer reported the matter with higher officers and this disclosure was shocking to the local authorities.

Mrs. Huntsman claimed that the child was 18 years of age, and while this is wrong by two years, according to the statute law in the marriage of people, with the consent of their parents, the child was hardly twelve years old. The supposed husband is Albert Mc[illegible], a young man of this city. According to evidence the wedding took place at Oconee last Sunday, but the careful investigation from the authorities at Shelbyville revealed the fact that no marriage license had been issued. Nevertheless the young couple have been living together. The child is young and inexperienced and is innocent according to her statement she was through a clandestine marriage, which she thought was legal. Mrs. Huntsman was arrested and upon seeing that she was in a serious place began to hedge, but as the evidence against her was forthcoming there was not a particle of doubt as to her guilt. McIntyre has left the city and cannot be found.

EDINBURG ELEVATOR IS READY.

Farmers Grain Company Commences Business On Tuesday.

Edinburg, Oct. 18.—The Edinburg Grain Co., an organization of farmers, formed for the purpose of handling grain and which bought the Brown-Skinner elevator, formally took charge of the property Tuesday and is now ready to do business. The company was organized to handle grain for the highest price possible to the farmer. It is the general conviction that the farmer is more or less at the mercy of an elevator trust, and farmers all over the state are organizing independent elevator companies. The one in Hillsboro has proved a success, and there is no reason why the one at Edinburg should not be one. It is in safe and capable hands.

SWALLOWING PIN WAS FATAL.

Blood Poisoning Caused Death of Little Clara Thorpe.

Clara Thorpe, the 10-year-old daughter of George Thorpe, cashier of the Peoria bank, died from blood poisoning caused by the accidental swallowing of a pin.

The child swallowed the pin last week and the instrument lodged in the throat. Local physicians could not find it and the child was taken to Chicago, where a powerful X-ray machine was used with unsuccessful results.

The child was brought back home and last Sunday a violent spell of coughing dislodged and brought up the pin. It was thought that the child would recover but blood poisoning set in and caused her death.

Funeral services were held at the house Wednesday afternoon conducted by Rev. J. B. Powson, formerly pastor of the Methodist church in Washington.

IN POOR HOUSE BUT PAID.

DeWitt County Comes Into Possession of House and Lot.

Clinton, Oct. 18.—A deed was filed in the recorder's office Monday whereby the city comes into possession of a house and three lots in Hallville. The deed was made by Mary Ann Simmons and her husband, Daniel Simmons and was given subject to agreement or contract with the board of supervisors that the grantors are to be cared for during the remainder of their lives and that at their death $50 should be appropriated to defray the funeral expenses of each. The contract calls for the appointment of a suitable person to act as trustee to collect the rents and see that the terms of the contract are carried out. Mr. and Mrs. McClimans have both been living at the county farm for several years.

SUES THE I. C. FOR $10,000.

Son of Engineer Ball Brings Suit In Circuit Court.

Clinton, Oct. 18.—Henry B. Ball, administrator of the estate of his father, the late Henry A. Ball has brought suit in the circuit court, through his attorneys Ingham & Ingham, for $10,000 damages against the Illinois Central Railroad Co., for the death of his father who was killed in a wreck south of here several months ago. The case will come up at the November term of court.

ANNUAL REUNION AT NEOGA.

Veterans of the 21st Illinois Infantry to Meet October 19-20.

Neoga, Oct. 18.—The thirty-first annual reunion of the 21st regiment Illinois Volunteer Infantry, will be held at Neoga, Ill., on Thursday and Friday, October 19-20. The public exercises will be held in the Presbyterian church. On Thursday evening there will be a camp fire and on Friday an all day meeting, commencing at 10:30 a. m. The following named persons will be present and address the various meetings. Judge J. Wilkin, Mrs. Thomas Jameson Miller, past department president of the W. R. C. Major J. W. Wham, Captain Edwin Harlan, Judge Walter Lamon, Gen. H. S. Clark, Hon. Benson Wood and Hon. H. A. Neal. H. M. Dunlap and Emory Andrews.

Back from Chester.

Sheriff Thrift arrived home last night from Chester, where he went to get C. C. Howell, the man who was sent from this county on a charge of forgery, and who is wanted to appear against Richard Cottrell against whom the same charge was made. When the sheriff went to Chester, he took with him Bob Roper, who was sentenced last week.

Attorney General Stead Says Capital Stock May Be Taxed.

NEW ACT NO BAR.

Under a decision rendered by Attorney General Stead to the state board of equalization yesterday, mercantile corporations will be assessed upon their capital stock this year despite the passage of a law by the last general assembly exempting these corporations from such assessment. Under the revenue laws of the state assessments are made on the property in hand on April 1, while the law exempting mercantile corporations from capital assessment did not go into effect until July 1. Contending that they are protected by the new exemption statute, a large number of mercantile concerns in Chicago have refused to report their capital stock to the board of equalization, but the opinion of the attorney general holds otherwise.

In part General Stead's opinion, addressed to Chairman Barnes of the capital stock committee of the board, says:

"I would say that I have heretofore given opinions to the effect that all assessments for the current year date April 1, and that laws passed changing the method of assessment or exempting certain property from assessment, which took effect on July 1 of this year, have nothing to do with the assessment or taxation of property for this year.

"I am of the opinion that the rule heretofore announced is the correct rule, and that under it all corporations which have heretofore been required to make scheedules for assessments to the state board of equalization are required to do so this year and are not exempted by any law which took effect July 1".

A Bank for Gays.

Gays, Oct. 18.—This village is at last to have a bank.

Messrs. E. D. and L. A. Slater, bankers at Atwood, were in the city yesterday making arrangement necessary to the opening of the institution, which probably will be thrown open for general business about the first of November.

According to business men of Gays the bank is to be a private one, and it found to be a paying investment will be made into a national bank next spring.

GOT OUT HER FUNERAL CLOTHES

Laura Rhoades Made Careful Preparation Before Killing Herself.

Vermilion, Oct. 18.—Miss Laura Rhoades, 38 years old, died early this morning from the effects of swallowing carbolic acid with suicidal intent. Miss Rhoads was a daughter of Samuel Rhoades, living near Kilbright, and has been ill for some time, and carefully planned her self-destruction.

Before taking the poison she laid out some of her clothing and left a note requesting that she be buried in them. She then went to the barn and drank a cupful of the acid.

EXPELLED NUNS TO CAPITAL.

Driven from the Convent at Flavinge, France, by French Government.

Springfield, Oct. 18.—Seventeen Ursuline sisters, exiled from Flavinge, France, by the French government and expelled from their convent without even allowing their passage for America, arrived in this country not long ago and will arrive in this city today. Mother Augstine of this community went to Chicago Friday to meet the exiled sisters and will return this afternoon with them. Nine of the exiled sisters will be placed in the Ursuline convent on North Fifth street and the other eight will go on to Alton.

HOPE FOR AMUSEMENT PARK.

Taylorville Band Has Charge of the Enterprise.

Taylorville, Oct. 18.—If the present plans of the Parish Military band materialize Taylorville will have one of the most modern, up to date amusement parks in Central Illinois next year.

The band has already held several meetings in which plans were discussed, and a committee has been appointed which are completing arrangements. This committee will report to the band at its meeting Friday evening, when it is expected that the deal will either go or be dropped.

The boys have several places selected for the location of the park, none of them as yet having been determined upon as the exact location. It is probable, however, that the Manners property, known as the old fair grounds, will be leased for a term of years. This would make an ideal spot for a park, as it has a large artificial lake a quarter of a mile long, many large trees, and is close to the city. It is also on the direct line of the Pawnee interurban, now building into the city.

DIED ON HIS WIFE'S GRAVE.

Henry Snapp, of Danville, Cuts Throat in Cemetery.

Danville, Oct. 18.—Weary of life because of the death of his wife, who died several months ago, Henry Snapp, a well known and old citizen of Danville, went on Monday afternoon out to Springhill cemetery, and standing on his wife's grave deliberately drew a razor and cut his throat from ear to ear.

Mr Snapp was seen to enter the cemetery at 12:55 and twenty minutes later he was found with life extinct. Then the lifeless remains might not have been found for some time had not two women notified the superintendent that they had seen a sick man lying on the ground. An investigation resulted in the gruesome discovery.

Snapp was 65 years old and up to three years ago had been engaged in the livery business in Danville.

William Holser Here.

William Holser, formerly a member of the Decatur police force, and now of Moberly, Mo., was in the city on Wednesday visiting old friends.

Miss Summers Improves.

Miss Helen Summers, who submitted to a surgical operation several days ago, is doing nicely, and is rapidly recovering.

Delegates Are Already Assembling for State Convention.

POINTS OF PROGRAM.

Bloomington, Oct. 18.—Delegates to the thirty-third annual convention of the Illinois Young Men's Christian association are beginning to arrive. The sessions will begin Thursday morning and continue to Sunday evening. A splendid gathering is assured, as a special plea was made in the official call that the choice of delegates be confined to "strong, broad minded, far-seeing men." It is also hoped by the official committee "that delegates will plan to avoid Sunday travel in connection with the convention."

The principal attraction of the first day of the convention will be an address in the evening by Governor Deneen. At the Friday morning session F. H. Burt, Chicago, will speak on "The Man and the Work." At the evening meeting Rev. John Balcom Shaw, of Chicago, pastor of the Second Presbyterian church, will be heard on "The Life That Counts." There will be addresses also from leading workers of New York, Minnesota and other states

Prominent Speakers Coming.

L. W. Messer, L. P. Moors, K. A. Shumaker and Mr. Burt will be the Chicagoans on the Saturday program. They will present historical and practical sidelights on the state Y. M. C. A. movements. Others who will speak that day will include S. D. Gordon, E. W. Peck, J. W. Cook, I. E. Brown, C. H. Gaffin, D. J. Bristol, E. L. Morgan, Howard Hubbell and C. H. Giesselbrecht. Most of these are from various Illinois towns.

New Yorkers will do most of the speaking Sunday, F. B. Smith and E. T. Colton each addressing two meetings.

Day sessions will be held in the First Christian church, and those of the evening in the Coliseum. The headquarters for registration will be at the association building, 430 North Main street.

HAS A FORTUNE IN GRAVEL HILL

W. O. Bramel, of Mt. Auburn, is the Lucky Individual.

Mt. Auburn, Oct. 18.—W. O. Bramel, a farmer of Mt. Auburn, has a fortune in a gravel hill on his farm. It covers two acres and the gravel is at least forty feet deep. Mr. Bramel, who was here Tuesday, told the Courier that he had sold $350 worth of gravel already and the supply had hardly been touched. The gravel is white stone and of fine quality. It is better than a gold mine in the west or an oil well in Kansas, and will make Mr. Bramel rich.

Found Dead In Field.

Shelbyville, Oct. 18.—Charles Hoke, aged 40, was found dead in a field near this city today. He evidently had been dead several hours when found. There is no evidence of suicide, murder or heart disease, and the cause of his death remains a mystery. He was last seen alive when he arose and left his home at 3 o'clock in the morning. He is survived by several children.

Logan County Sheriff Enjoined.

Lincoln, Oct. 18.—Sheriff White has been enjoined by the federal court at Springfield from disposing of any property of L. H. Holland, an Atlanta saloonkeeper, who recently took the bankruptcy act. The sheriff had an execution against Holland and was to have sold some of the property next Saturday.

LITTLE BOY WAS KILLED.

Fell Under a Wagon Wheel At Edinburg.

Edinburg, Oct. 18.—Rolla, the two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Steward, residing six miles northeast of this city, met a very tragic death at about 1 o'clock this afternoon. The father had just come to the house with a load of corn and left the team standing while he went to the house on an errand, and in his absence the little fellow attempted to climb upon the wheel when the team started, throwing the boy in front of the wheel, the load passing over his body. The boy only lived a few minutes. The funeral will be held tomorrow from the Grove City church.

Universalists Build.

Clinton Times: The Universalists at Decatur are arranging for a reorganization of the society in that city, and Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Varney, pastors of the Clinton Universalist church, have been secured to assist in the work. Beginning with Sunday, October 29 Universalist services will be conducted in the Woman's club building at Decatur every Sunday evening by the Rev. and Mrs. Varney, alternately. There was formerly an organization in Decatur, but it disbanded several years ago, and the old trustees have in their hands about $25,000, most of which amount was derived from the sale of the old church property. It is the plan of the trustees to first build up the society and then erect a modern church building.

Remembered the Friendless.

Peoria, Oct. 18.—The late Nelson Burnham, of this city, left by his will $25,000 for the Home for the Friendless in this city.

Loses Arm.

Danville, Oct. 18.—A. O. Jenkins, an employe of Campbell Bros' Packing house, had his left arm torn off at the shoulder this afternoon while oiling machinery. His coat sleeve caught in the machine.

Election Frauds Charged.

Springfield, Oct. 18.—Oscar Maxon, alias John Jennings, alias James Cummings, of fake foot race fame, wanted in Joliet on an indictment charging election fraud, was arrested this morning by Sheriff Brainerd and taken to Joliet tonight.

Harvey McGraw, an old soldier, who belongs at the soldiers' home at Danville, was arrested for being drunk on the streets last night.

Robert Walters, aged 17 years, was arrested by Policeman Moore last night on a city warrant charging him with disturbing the peace and using profane language. The warrant was sworn out by Hugh Rister. Walters was put in jail.

HEAD FAST IN THE WHEEL

Macoupin County Farmer Met a Horrible Death Near Carlinville.

Carlinville, Oct. 18.—Torrence Wheeler, a farmer residing near here, was almost instantly killed this afternoon, his head becoming fastened in the spoke of a wheel in his wagon, as the result of an accident, and terribly crushed.

He was driving a team of mules, and was hauling posts from the timber. Just as he emerged out in the open, with a load this afternoon the wheels went into a small ravine, causing the posts to push forward. This threw Mr. Wheeler from the wagon, and in falling his head got between the spokes of the front wheel.

He was 40 years of age and was married eighteen months ago to a daughter of Jacob Young of this city. His wife and young son survive. He was a brother of Fred Wheeler, who was killed in an accident on the interurban at Anderson switch a few months since.

CONFESSES MANY CRIMES.

Peoria Burglar Admits Entering Eleven Places In Last Few Weeks.

Peoria, Ill., Oct. 18.—At an early hour this morning officers caught Robert Lee, who was released from the penitentiary three months ago, in the act of robbing Burns saloon. He asked the officers to shoot him and be done with it, as he did not want to go back to the pen. This morning he confessed to Chief Kennedy that he is the one who has been doing so much robbing of late, and gave the chief a list of eleven places he had entered during the last few weeks. In no instance was his booty large. As he is out on parole he will be sent back to Joliet without further hearing.

TWO WOMEN IN COLLISION

Bumped Each Other on the Sidewalk and Then Had Scrap.

ONE PAYS A FINE.

A head end collision between two women was the topic of argument in a trial in Justice Montgomery's court yesterday. It developed during the hearing that the two women were going in opposite directions on Orchard street and as both claimed to have a clear track neither one would run in on the side track and the result was a head-on collision. When they had recovered from the jar that each received, one of them Mrs. Immel, claims that Mrs. Payne gave her a slap. Mrs. Payne appeared in Justice McCoy's court on the charge of disorderly conduct. She took a change of venue to Justice Montgomery's court, where the trial was held.

A jury of six men were impanelled and the hearing was long and tedious. The jury was out but a short time when it returned with a verdict of guilty. Mrs. Payne was fined $3 and had the costs to pay. An appeal bond has been given.

Justice Montgomery's court record will stand as a proof of the dampness of the night of Tuesday, October 18. F. L. Lyon, Frank Denton, Dick Mallon and Wade Braden were arraigned before Justice Montgomery on the charge of drunkenness. Each one was fined $5 and costs. Braden is a Macon man.

MATINEE FOR LADIES TODAY

Popular Bijou Has Nice Clean Bill to Offer Them.

There will be a souvenir matinee at the Bijou this afternoon especially for the ladies. The matinees have become decidedly popular and never fail to attract large audiences. This week Manager Sigfried has a bill which he believes will not fail to please all of the ladies. It has delighted large numbers of persons afternoon and night during the week. Some of the best artists of the season are to be seen in the handsome little theatre.

The Boneless Wonder of Welsh and Medland will give a demonstration of his wonderful powers to prominent physicians Friday night.

NEW GAME WARDEN NAMED.

Appointment for Macon County Comes to Captain W. W. Foster.

It is announced from Springfield that Captain W. W. Foster of this city has been appointed to the position of county game warden for Macon county. Under the new law the game warden has become an important official in ferreting out the violations of the law.

SHUBERTS ASK LARGE DAMAGES

Theatrical Managers' Parents Want Two Hundred Thousand.

New York, Oct. 18.—Parents of Sam Shubert, theatrical manager, who was mortally injured in a wreck of Pennsylvania railroads Chicago express last May, brought suit in the United States circuit court today for $200,000 against the railroad company, alleging negligence caused their son's death. This suit is one of several others aggregating $600,000 and growing out af the same wreck.

Plant Trees Now.

Quincy Journal: "October is the best month in the year for the transplanting of trees and shrubbery. Are you getting ready for this important work? Trees planted in October will be, substrictly a year ahead of those planted next May. Nor are trees planted in October so apt to die as those planted the last of April and the forepart of May. Six trees will be lost in May where one will be lost in October—and some years the loss will be as high as ten to one in favor of October.

The leaves are making no draft upon a tree that is planted in October, and during the first six months after its transplanting it is getting settled in its new location and getting ready for growth with the coming of spring. If you have any tree planting or shrubbery planting that should be done, do it this month, by all means.

EASY FOR McGOVERN.

Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 18.—Terry McGovern defeated Tommy Murphy in a one round fight tonight. McGovern floored Murphy six times in the two minutes and two seconds the round lasted.

Murphy was then so dazed and helpless the referee stopped the bout.

PETITION FOR MAIL DELIVERY

Can Only Be Granted By the Action of Department at Washington.

FORCE IS TOO SMALL.

Eight Hour Law Hampers the Present Service.

Postmaster W. F. Calhoun has been petitioned by some of the residents living in the northern part of the city asking that they have two mail deliveries a day. When the postmaster was asked what answer he would make to the petition, he said that he was not now able with the force at his disposal, to deliver all of the mail and that he would be delighted to give the petitioners the service that they are asking for if the department would make it possible. Further, the postmaster explained that he had for some time been engaged in an effort to have his force of letter carriers increased, but that he had not yet succeeded in getting that done. He is hopeful, however, that he may succeed. As a result of his importunities an inspector was sent to Decatur to look over the field. To the postmaster, personally, the inspector said that he was astonished that the delivery of mail matter had been done so well in view of the large field and the small force to do the work. The postmaster was not, however, apprised of the contents of the formal report which was sent to the department at Washington.

Eight-hour Law.

The letter carriers are under the 8-hour law and they are not permitted to work more than eight hours a day. If they do they are fined. There has been more than one instance of a letter carrier in Decatur going back to the postoffice with mail matter because he could not deliver it and complete his day's work within the prescribed limit fixed by law. The truth is that more than once the letter carriers would have delivered the letters that they carried back to the office was it not for the fact that he knew that he might be fined.

Postmaster Calhoun has asked the department to assign three additional letter carriers to the service here. Except that the force is not sufficient to do the work as it should be done, and that he has for months been asking for relief, Postmaster Calhoun can give no information. He is not permitted to engage carriers when he thinks they are needed. That increase can be made only by the department at Washington. It is the ambition of every postmaster to give the best possible service to the patrons of the office and Postmaster Calhoun is not without that ambition. If he ever gets the authority to increase the letter-carrying force, he will increase the number of deliveries so far as possible with the larger number of carriers that the department allows for this office.

AMUSEMENTS.

Friday—Charles B. Hanford in "The Merchant of Venice."

Saturday Matinee—"As Told in the Hills."

Tuesday—Entertainment in Y. M. C. A. Course.

Wednesday—"Pair of Country Kids."

"Merchant of Venice."

Charles B. Hanford is one of the eminent American players who have led no complaint to offer as to the reception of sincere artistic endeavor by the play going public. His life has been devoted to an earnest and consistent determination to meet the public demand for the best that can be had in a play, cast and scenic equipment. For his author Mr. L. Hanford has felt that it is useless to attempt to improve upon Shakespeare, and with scant exception his plays have always been those which traditionally figure in the repertory of a Shakesperean star. He has contributed some of the most eminently approved representations that the modern stage has witnessed, and by his extraordinary gifts as a reader has relieved roles which were too often performed with solemn and stilted affectation, of every trace of pedantry.

The date of Mr. Hanford's engagement in this city is Friday, October 20, and the play is to be presented at the Grand Opera house.

A TRUE STORY FROM A RURAL SCHOOL

Young Lady Teaching Her First School Is Initiated.

One of the young lady teachers, who is teaching her first term of school in the country, relates the following story from the rural district, says the Taylorville Courier:

She was hearing the class in physiology and telling the pupils how essential it was to retain the saliva and then asked the question in what way could the saliva be wasted. One boy suggested "by chewing tobacco," and another by "chewing gum." When a small girl added by asking, "Couldn't the saliva be wasted by chewing the rag for pa says that ma is always chewing the rag."

We did not learn whether the all-wise teacher was able to answer the question or not.

BANKER GUILTY OF PERJURY CHARGE

Frank S. Komp Gets Two Years In the Penitentiary.

Kenosha, Wis., Oct. 16.—Frank S. Komp, of Chicago, former president of the Kenosha State bank, was sentenced this afternoon to two years in the state prison at Waupon. Komp was convicted of perjury.

STEADILY GAINING AT NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans, Oct. 18.—Steady improvement in the fever situation was maintained today with an exceedingly low record, the death column again indicating that very little actual yellow fever is prevailing in New Orleans and that of an exceedingly mild type.

Nearby Towns

CLINTON PEOPLE AT A WEDDING

Ceremony Performed at Rockford Last Evening.

Clinton, Oct. 18.—Trainmaster H. A. Moffett and wife, Mrs. Robert Porterfield, Conductor Bert Osborn and Walter Lobe went to Rockford to be present at the wedding of Morris J. Hinchliff, which occurred in Rockford Wednesday, Oct. 18. Miss Bertha Graham, the bride, is a prominent society lady of that city. Mr. Hinchliff is a popular attorney of our city, and well known in society. He is city clerk and a prominent member of the Elks.

The case of Emma C. Waters vs. Nellie Waters, which was tried at the May court, and appealed to the higher court, has been settled by the payment to Emma Walters $4,000 of the $5,000 judgment recovered at the trial.

Ladies of the Catholic church gave a chicken supper Tuesday night in connection with their bazaar.

Mrs. C. K. Zosger entertained a few friends at dinner Monday. The guests were Mrs. Smith of Kansas, Mrs. Boster of Los Angeles, Cal., and Mrs. Markham of Ohio.

Frank Lucas and wife of Bloomington spent Sunday with Dr. Lucas and wife.

Misses Pauline and Gertrude Lavery have gone to Vandalia and will go from there to St. Louis, where they have positions.

Mrs. Grace Fullenwider of La Salle is the guest of her mother-in-law, Mrs. Mary Fullenwider.

Ralph Clemmons has returned from a visit to Missouri.

Dr. George Edmonson and wife are visiting a few days in Chicago.

Carl Jones has returned from an extended trip through the west.

John Leo has returned to Mattoon to resume work.

Fred Bowen of Chicago was the guest of his sister, Miss Hazel.

Mr. and Mrs. Howser and Mrs. Joe Black of Midland City are visiting at the home of Walter Houser.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lafferty have gone to West Baden, Ind., for a brief stay.

Ed Burns and wife have gone to Madison, Wis., to visit relatives.

Wm. Hodges and wife of Superior, Neb., are visiting at the home of W. S. Cain.

Mrs. Ben Sparks and daughter, Sylvia, have gone to Mountain Park, Oklahoma, to reside.

Mrs. Elizabeth Campbell, who has been visiting at the home of N. M. Barnett, has returned to her home in Farmer City.

R. F. McKinley to Harry E. Davison, land in section 3, DeWitt township; $8,801.50.

Nellie Walters, quit claim to Geo. E. Dooley land in Wilson township; $10,000.

John G. Chrisholm, quit claim to same property; $10,000.

James A. Williams to O. W. Howard, lots in Kennay; $761.65.

Henry B. Ball, administrator for the estate of his father, the late Henry Ball, has brought suit through his attorneys, Ingham & Ingham, for $10,000 damage against the Illinois Central for the death of his father.

LINTNER.

Lintner, Ill., Oct. 18.—A number from here attended the district meeting in Cerro Gordo last week.

The communion at the Brethren church in La Place Saturday evening was well attended.

D. B. Gibson and wife spent Friday night at David Mussulman's.

George Morris and family of near Pierson spent Sunday with G. A. Roberts and family.

Joseph Peck and family and George and Nettie Garver spent Sunday at Joseph Henrick's.

G. A. Roberts made a business trip to Cerro Gordo Monday.

Mrs. Willis Patrick, who has been visiting home folks, returned home Monday.

David Fraxier and wife left last week for New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Hersberger from Macoupin county, visited at John Arnold's Sunday night.

Isaiah Hayes and lady friend attended church at Cerro Gordo Sunday.

Several of the farmers began husking corn Monday.

Ben Arnold of Cerro Gordo spent Saturday night with Roy Roberts.

Elder I. N. Rosenberger took dinner at David Mussulman's Monday.

PERU SCHOOL.

Peru, Oct. 18.—The funeral of Mrs. Charles Cochran Sunday was largely attended. Services were conducted by Rev. C. Sawyer of Reody. The interment took place at Walls cemetery.

Henry Powell and Carl Taylor are working the road south of the Harristown bridge.

H. L. Cross and M. W. Cross are hauling logs to J. C. Cross's mill.

W. P. Morfett and sons have returned from Kansas where they spent a few weeks visiting relatives.

Protracted meetings are in progress at the Sanders church with a good attendance.

Corn husking is in full blast. The corn is giving a fair yield.

CASNER.

Casner, Ill., Oct. 18.—Lee Needham, of Crawfordville, Ind., and John Casner and family, of Decatur, spent Sunday with Ben Chapman and wife.

Mrs. Anna Tohill and children are visiting with Noah Tohill at Dalton City this week.

Olive Casner Kielman, of Jennings, La., is visiting with Ben Chapman.

Mrs. Wickoff, of Crowley, La., was called to the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Casner, who is very low with cancer.

Garfield Tohill has bought Mr. Goodin's cafe at La Place and will move his family there this week.

Bell Wallace is visiting at Mt. Zion.

Dr. Shulke, of Decatur, was called here Sunday.

The Ladies' Missionary met at Mrs. Beck's last Thursday. Miss Freeland, a returned missionary from Japan, was present at the meeting and gave a very interesting address. After the meeting refreshments consisting of bananas and cake, were served. The next meeting will be at the home of John Tohill.

MONTICELLO MAN GETS A MEDAL

Rewarded for His Services in the Battle of Santiago.

Monticello, Ill., Oct. 18.—Frank S. Boals of this city on Monday received a bronze medal for valor in the great naval battle of Santiago on July 3, 1898. The medal is hung by a pendant. On one side Admiral Sampson, commander in chief, and on the reverse side three soldiers ready for action, while on the edge is stamped: "Frank S. Boals," with his company and rank. Mr. Boals is justly proud of this souvenir.

Frank Wylie, who has been visiting old friends of his boyhood here, returned to his duties in Calcary, Alberta Canada.

Harry Harrington and wife, of Decatur, are the guests of his parents E. Harrington and wife.

William Dighton and wife left for a ten days' visit in the east on Monday.

Miss Marie Cullens is the guest of Mrs. Pearle McNeir in Tuscola.

Mrs. Frank Piatt and her mother, Mrs. Mary Clark, returned from Hot Springs, Ark., on Sunday.

Harry Knight and family have returned from Oklahoma, where they had recently moved.

Miss Margaret Campbell returned from a week's visit in Bement Monday.

Mrs. W. G. Cloyd, of Bement, was a Monticello visitor on Monday.

S. R. Reed and M. R. Davidson left on a business trip to Missouri Tuesday.

Mrs. Nancy Lowry returned from Decatur on Monday, after a few days' visit with friends.

C. E. Moffitt left Monday afternoon for Kansas City to buy stock cattle for John N. Dighton.

Wiley Dewees, chairman of the board of supervisors, and wife were at the county capital Monday.

OREANA.

Oreana, Ill., Oct. 18.—Mrs. L. Harrauff left Monday for a visit with relatives at Bloomington.

C. Zorger, of Clinton, was the guest of relatives here over Sunday.

Misses Anna and Ida Strope were Decatur visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hull and Miss Ida Strope spent Friday with friends in Maroa.

Mrs. J. W. Hauver returned Saturday from a visit with relatives in Springfield.

Mrs. L. Ayrre and Mrs. Guy Lipscolm, of Decatur, visited friends and relatives here last week.

Mrs. C. Peacock, of Chicago, was the guest of Mrs. Mary Strope last week.

Carl Strope, of Argenta, was the guest of relatives here Sunday.

Miss Mary Stewart returned home this week from a month's visit in Ohio.

George Bricker and wife returned home Tuesday from a couple of months visit in the west.

Rev. A. N. Sharpes is conducting a series of meetings near Monticello this week.

Mrs. R. Hokaday and Mrs. C. A. Mallory were Decatur visitors Monday.

TAYLORVILLE.

Taylorville, Oct. 18.—The home and domestic department of the Taylorville Woman's club held its first meeting today at the home of Mrs. John E. Lohan. The following program was rendered:

Music—Mrs. Roy Johnston.

"A Short Talk on Domestic Science"—Mrs. R. N. McCauley, read by Mrs. E. Anderson.

"The Effects of Character on Cooking and the Effects of Cooking on Character"—Mrs. M. Bonbrake.

"The Snoop Wielder"—Mrs. N. G. Gordon.

Demonstration.

W. N. Dick, formerly of this city, died at his home in Ponca City, Okla., Monday from the effects of lung fever. The remains will be brought here for interment.

Mr. and Mrs. John Breeze adopted the 10-year-old son of Mrs. Breeze, a child by a former husband, in the county court.

Mrs. N. Chambers is visiting in Springfield.

Colonel Hart and George Drennan, of Edinburg, were in town today.

W. B. Smith is moving his family to this city.

Mrs. Amelia Hartsock was an Edinburg visitor today.

W. P. Overand and M. O. Brown went to Kansas today on business.

AUSTIN.

Austin, Oct. 18.—The farmers are all busy husking corn.

Mrs. John Rogers and Mrs. Harve Sevens spent Friday with Mrs E. F. Wright.

Gooley Fort and wife returned Saturday from a three weeks' visit with relatives in Butler county, Ohio.

H. A. Shultz and family of near Epworth, spent Sunday with Charles Schultz and family.

Clarke Brelsford and wife were in Decatur Saturday.

J. F. Montgomery will have a large cattle sale at his farm Oct. 24

John Fort spent Sunday with his wife in Warrensburg.

T. C. Hoagland was appointed as drainage commissioner to serve until the November election in the place of O. J. Lucas, who has resigned.

Dr. W. T. McLean was called to the home of M. E. Jump Saturday morning to see Ethel Conway, who was very ill.

Miss Lulu Bartlett of Beecher City, is assisting Mrs. E. E. Brelsford with her housedold duties.

Wade Braden was in this vicinity Sunday.

Rev. Pollock and wife of Decatur were in this vicinity Sunday.

Pash Hoover of Decatur is husking corn for J. D. Rogers.

Several from this vicinity attended the big horse sale in Maroa Saturday.

James B. Austin of Maroa, is remodeling his house on his farm in this vicinity.

Mrs. J. F. Montgomery was in Decatur Monday.

There will be preaching services at the Pleasant View M. E. church Sunday morning, Oct. 29, at 11 a. m. by Rev. Pollock of Decatur. Everybody cordially invited to attend.

Wedding bells will ring in this vicinity soon.

THE TRACKS ARE UNDER WATER

Wabash Had Trouble As Result of Flood In Vicinity of St. Louis.

The sudden rise in rivers and streams in the vicinity of East St. Louis as a result of the heavy rains, occasioned the Wabash some trouble yesterday and last night.

Between Carpenter and Edwardsville the trains had to run over submerged tracks.

On the west side of the river the railroad experienced a great deal of trouble.

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Delegates to the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias



GRAND LODGE BEGINS BUSINESS

Fight Over Charter of Chicago Lodge Is Interesting Feature.

THE ELECTION TODAY.

Grand Officers Will Be Chosen at the Afternoon Session.

The first secret session of the grand lodge was called to order at 2 o'clock by Grand Chancellor Commander James Graves Whiting. There was very little done aside from the regular routine of work, such as hearing the reports of different committees and passing on a few important questions. In other words it was a sort of continuance to Monday's preliminaries. The real and vital transactions will be submitted for final disposal today.

Charge Against Lodge.

Perhaps the most important of all questions brought up for discussion yesterday afternoon was that relating to the suspension of the charter of one of the Chicago lodges, Montefiore, No 190. Charges were recently brought against this lodge accusing them of violating the laws of the grand order. One of the violations was that of accepting saloon keepers into membership and another was that of taking in members at less than constitutional fees.

These charges were referred to the grand tribunal and that body revoked the charter of the lodge. This was not legal, however, as the charter can be revoked only by the power that granted it which is the grand lodge. The grand tribunal thereupon recommended that the grand lodge revoke the charter and at the meeting yesterday afternoon the suspension was confirmed.

Montefiore lodge was prepared for just such an emergency and immediately folowing the confirmation of the grand tribunal's finding, a petition, signed by 162 members of the former lodge was presented asking for the restoration of the charter. There was considerable discussion over the matter and it finally ended by the whole matter being referred to the committee on warrants and charters. This committee consists of three members and they held a meeting last night at the Decatur hotel parlor, when and where they reached an agreement. The meeting was a heated one and there was plenty of evidence given as to why the charter should and why it should not be revoked. Many of the grand lodge members attended the meeting to hear the discussions. The finding of the committee will be reported to the grand lodge today.

The first committee to report yesterday afternoon was that on rules. They submitted a set of instructions to govern this convention.

Credentials.

The committee on credentials had several reports to make. The first was submitting a list of representatives held over from last year. The second was a list of representatives entitled to seats for the next two years. The third a list of representatives from new lodges organized since the last convention. The fourth a list of the representatives elected to fill vacancies caused by the death or inability to attend the convention. The fifth a list of past chancellors entitled to receive the rank during the past year. This committee also reported that the representative from Montefiore lodge No 190 was not entitled to a seat, that lodge being under suspension by the grand tribunal. A motion that the consideration of his case be postponed was laid on the table until after the action of the committee on his case.

The grand lodge rank was conferred upon 170 past chancellors.

Greeting.

Fraternal greetings came by telegraph from the grand lodge of Missouri which is also in session this week, and was read to the meeting. An answer was immediately returned. The lodge also sent greetings to the grand lodge of Connecticut which is in session this week.

The verdict of the grand tribunal finding Montefiore lodge No 190 guilty of the charges against them was confirmed by the grand lodge, charter was thereby revoked. A petition for restoration of the same was immediately filed, signed by 162 members of the former lodge. After considerable discussion the petition was referred to the committee on warrants and charters.

The finance committee made a report from the books of the grand keeper of records and seals and the grand master of exchequer, finding everything correct.

The Home.

The committee on Orphans' Home made their report. They received instructions to have it printed last night and it will be made a special order of business this morning at 9 o'clock.

The committee on analysis and distribution made a report referring to the various subjects treated on in the several reports.

Several propositions were submitted to the Grand Lodge and ordered printed and were referred to the appropriate committees for investigation and report.

This ended yesterday's work, with the exception of one or two committees who were enabled to complete their work last night at the hotel.

The Election.

This afternoon will see the most important session of the week when new officers for the ensuing year will be elected. As has been stated, the real fight will be for the office of Grand Outer Guard. While the fact that it is the lowest office in the Grand lodge would seemingly attach little importance to it it is the stepping stone to the office of Grand Chancellor commander. Any member of the order aspiring to the high office of the Grand Lodge must start in as Grand Outer Guard and work his way up.

While the fight will doubtless be a hard one, it will nevertheless be good natured and the losers will feel just as good toward the winner as though there was no race at all. There are at present four candidates for the office. They are John J. Reeves of Jacksonville, John B. Vaughan of Carlinville, John W. Starkey of Roodhouse and Judge W. T. Hodson of Galena.

Supreme Representatives.

There will be two Supreme Representatives to elect to take the place of A. E. Cummings of Rockford and John J. Brown of Vandalia whose terms have expired. There will likewise be somewhat of a contest for these offices. Both Mr. Cummings and Mr. Brown are candidates for re-election. Others out against them are William G. Edens, Charles H. Cushing, and Joseph H. Kellogg of Chicago, and R. J. McElvaine of Murphysboro.

For the office of Grand Trustee W. A. Alexander of Carlinville is a candidate to suceed himself. Robert F. Leonard of Chicago is also a candidate for the office.

Very little is being said relative to the office of Grand Chancellor Commander. James Graves Whiting of Canton, has served in that capacity during the past year and has discharged his duties in a manner that would insure his re-election perhaps for the asking, but he made the announcement yesterday that he is not a candidate for any office at this session of the Grand Lodge.

State Deputy.

The matter of a state deputy is being agitated and it is probable that this new office will be created at this session. A Grand State Deputy is something unknown in Pythian circles heretofore. There are at present twenty-one District Deputies and they work throughout the year just as they see fit. The object of this new office is to have a State Deputy to oversee the work of the entire twenty-one.

When it became known that Mr. Whiting would not be a candidate for reelection to the office of graand chancellor commander, it was generally supposed that he would be in the race for the new office of state deputy, but his announcement yesterday evening that he would be a candidate for no office this time exploded that supposition. It is not even settled yet whether or not the new office will be created.

Tomorrow afternoon the newly elected officers will be officially installed. This will bring the three days' convention to an end.

Down and Out.

Camp Barkley is no more. The rain last night did the business and the tents will be cleared away today. After the rain of Monday night it was feared that the session would be greatly interfered with as a result and such would have been the case, even though it had not rained last night, as fully half of the Uniform Rank Knights returned to their homes yesterday afternoon and evening before it even began to look like rain.

The fact that they have broke camp will be a great disappointment to the citizens of Decatur as well as to the members themselves. Camp Barkley had counted on having one of the best and most profitable encampments in the history of the order. Everything was arranged accordingly and 400 uniformed Knights would have been in camp during the three days.

Many people had counted on attending the annual review which was to have taken place this afternoon and which is always a pretty part of their work. The band would have been out and the race track would have taken on a military air such as has never been experienced before. Many of the members did not even stay over for the grand ball last night at the Coliseum.

The meeting of the brigadier officers which was to have taken place at 8 o'clock last night at Camp Barkley was held in Martin Bros' shoe store at the corner of Water and East Main streets. Nothing was done that is ready to be made public as yet with the exception that it was decided to ask the grand lodge for another appropriation. This is done about every year as it is necessary to have funds to carry on their annual encampments. It is thought that about $1,500 will be asked for.

Many of the boys from the Uniform Rank will remain in Decatur during the entire session of the grand lodge, but will remain at the hotels.

NOTES AT RANDOM.

The K. of P. band of Champaign came over yesterday morning and took part in the parade. After dinner they serenaded the Herald office, playing a couple of pretty selections for the benefit of the management and employes. Their music was greatly appreciated.

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The outside decorations look decidedly forlorn after the two soaking rains. Where the colors of the lodge are worked together in bunting, it is hard to tell whether it is the United States flag or a representation of the rainbow.

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Unity Company No. 33 of Champaign was the only company in full dress uniform and they made a decidedly striking appearance in parade. They were cheered lustily along the line of parade.

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Bertoni Company No. 112 of Heyworth had the honor of being represented by the largest per cent of membership, having 31 out of 40 present to take part in the parade. They were among the best drilled companies in the parade.

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Mattoon is making a strong bid for the Pythian home and the way they are going about it indicates that they will be contenders well worth considering in the fight. Yesterday there was a large delegation from that city, Pythians and citizens, and they brought enough paraphernalia with them to flood the town. Pamphlets and folders were distributed freely and white badges were pinned on all who would wear them. The badges were gotten up somewhat after the fashion of those worn by thousands of Decatur people. The folders gave a description in detail of the advantages to be found in that community for erecting the home. They will have to come a little stronger, however, if they expect to beat Decatur out of the state institution.

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The Heyworth and Clinton Uniform Rank members and Rathbone Sisters came in yesterday morning about 7:30 over the Illinois Central in a special train. The special consisted of two cars.

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Between the Knights and the Rathbone Sisters the Decatur Hotel and St. Nick are just about swamped. Many are sleeping four in a room and not a few cots are brought into use and placed in hallways and corridors.

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The restaurants are likewise enjoying one of the biggest rushes of the year. They have probably had days at a time when they did a larger business, but the fact that there are three days at a stretch this time makes their business decidedly flourishing.

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There seemed to be some misunderstanding concerning the K. of P. band of Champaign. On account of it being the organization band, they of course had the preference over the Goodman band. When they were engaged for the occasion it was understood that they were to remain throughout the entire day yesterday and play for some exhibition drills that were to have been given by some of the Uniform Rank companies. After the parade, however, they apprised the boys of the fact that they had an engagement in Champaign and were therefore compelled to return home, which they did at 3 o'clock. It was a decided disappointment to the Knights.

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Lieut.-Governor Lawrence Y. Sherman had occasion to be in the city Monday evening to remain over night. He stopped at the St. Nick, but there was no room for him to sleep in and it was suggested that the best they could do for him was to give him a cot and let him sleep in the billiard hall. He accepted the inevitable without a murmur. It is not often that a gentleman of Mr. Sherman's standing is compelled to spend the night on a cot in a billiard hall, but the fact that he accepted the best there was with seeming indifference demonstrates the disposition of the man.

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There are 563 Knights of Pythias lodges in Illinois. On July 1st, 1904, there were something over 55,000 members, and on July 1st, 1905, they numbered close onto 57,000, an increase of almost 2,000 in a year. And this in the face of the prohibitive laws, which do not permit saloon keepers or bartenders to be members of the order. That law only recently went into effect and the fact that it dropped out something like 1,540 members, makes the showing of the year's increase very flattering.

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The treasurer's book shows that on June 30, 1905 the cash on hand amounted to $209,161.90. Invested, $214,564.06. Real estate, $161,136.50. Paraphernalia, furniture, etc., $275,609.00. Receipts of the Grand Lodge for the past year $35,937.50. Balance on hand at last report, $18,418.31. Total, $54,355.81. Disbursements $33,606.77. Balance, $20,749.04. Pythian Home fund, on hand, $7,772.00.

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During the past year one Past Grand Chancellor has passed to the Grand Lodge above, namely, John Andrew Miller of Cairo lodge No. 173 of Cairo. Four Grand Representatives have died during the year.

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Metropolis Company 104 of the U. R. of K. of P. was represented by Major A. J. Gibbons.

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The W. R. C. served both dinner and supper in the G. A. R. hall yesterday. They had a decided success with their meals. The women served good dinners and were rewarded by a large patronage—over 460 people taking their meals there. They will serve both dinner and supper today. The women were worked hard yesterday and they urge all members of the corps to turn out and help. The chairmen of the different charges were: Kitchen, Mrs. Anna Bobb; executive committee, Mrs. Ella Zimmerly, Mrs. Barbara McCune and Mrs. Emma Miller had charge of the dining room. Each woman had a corps of assistants.

PRINTERS ARE ENJOINED

Sweeping Action By Judge Holdom Against the Strikers.

MAKES A RIGID RULE.

Chicago, Oct. 17.—[illegible] last week restraining members of the typographical union from [illegible] with firms composing the Chicago typothetae during the [illegible] of union printers [illegible] or otherwise was [illegible] Judge Holdom in [illegible] a decision which [illegible] of the union to [illegible] closed shop and [illegible] upon employers, [illegible]

The injunction [illegible] the union and its members from [illegible] fering with the business of [illegible] of the complainants [illegible] tempting to dissuade [illegible] working or from [illegible] to customers of the [illegible] to boycott the strike [illegible]

BOTH SLAIN IN DUEL.

Traveling Men Quarrel Over Poker Game and Shoot.

Tunica, Miss., Oct. 17.—Two traveling men, Jake Glenn of Greenville, Miss., and A. Spratlin of Memphis, fought a duel on the street here and both were killed.

The duel was fought over a poker game in which Spratlin accused Glenn of cheating. Glenn told Spratlin he would have to retract, and Spratlin's answer was "Go arm yourself."

Later they met in front of the [illegible] sen house. Spratlin began to fire, shooting four times. Each of the bullets entered Glenn's body and death was almost instant. Before he fell Glenn managed to draw his gun and fired twice, inflicting mortal wounds on his slayer, who turned and ran to the store of Roby & Jones. Roby, who had witnessed the duel, went up to him and tried to catch him as he fell. Spratlin handed him his private papers and asked him to telegraph Mrs. Spratlin in Memphis that he was dead.

Box Supper.

Madison school, 10 miles southwest of Decatur, will give a box supper on Friday evening, Oct. 20, 1905. Everyone invited. Daisy Zollars, teacher.

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